

ISD Daily Bulletin

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Thursday, March 1, 2001

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from Andrew Metz and the Budget Committee

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	J. Hill	ACR
	D. Johnson	HE
1:00	D. Davis	ACR
	Al. Lewis	ABR
3:15	W. Fetzner	ACR
4:45	MS Wrestling at New Augusta	

Today's Menu

Lunch

Western Dinner
Veal Parmesan*
Broccoli
Cottage Cheese
Jello

Dinner

Cube Steak
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Spinach
Fruit Cocktail

Breakfast

Orange Juice
Cereal
French Toast
Sausage

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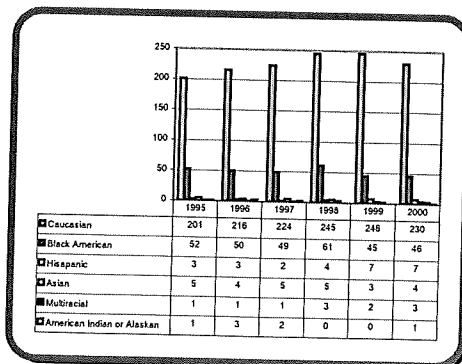
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	5 th & 6 th Grade Girls at ISD against Trader's Point (4:30)
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FACTS ABOUT ISD

Race/Ethnicity

Analysis of the ethnic/racial category of students enrolled will show that ISD is primarily populated with Caucasian students. Based on the December 1 headcount, data indicate the following:

- The number of Caucasian students increased by 14% in the 2000-2001 school year as compared with the 1995-96 school year.
- While the number of Black American students remained relatively stable over the 6-year period, the number of Black American students decreased by 9% in the 2000-2001 school year as compared with the 1995-96 school year.
- Students from Hispanic, Asian, Multiracial and American Native categories represent a significantly small number of the total student population. Only 5% of the total student body comprises these four categories. However, it is important to note that the number of Hispanic students increased by 130% in the 2000-2001 school year as compared with the 1995-96 school year.



Announcements

Educational Staff - Remember to call Pam Lewis me in the morning when you will be late or absent. Do not call your department unless you call both. Pam's number is 924-8402, and it is best to call before 7:00 a.m. (especially if a sub is needed). Pam arrives at 6:30 a.m., or messages can be left anytime prior to Pam's arrival on voice/tty mail. Be sure to include your name at the beginning of the message and at the end of the message also to assure it was recorded.

Current Student Enrollment -	Preschool	42
	Elementary	100
	Middle School	63
	High School	<u>101</u>
	Total Enrollment	306

The Battle of the Sexes Is A TIE! – Last night, the Junior Varsity Boys played the Varsity Girls in “The Battle of the Sexes”. The boys got off to a strong lead, but the girls fought back with help from creative scorekeeping to tie the game at the buzzer. The game was filled with interesting moments including the referee (David Reynolds) being accidentally knocked to the gym floor by Valerie Sharer, Ken Kramer serving as water boy for the girls' team and the girls trying a 3-3-zone defense. It was great fun for all!

HS Varsity Girls – Please excuse the Varsity Girls Basketball Team on Friday, March 2 at 11:00 am. They will attend the Optimist Club's “Countdown to Finals” honoring the eight teams. Ken Kramer will accompany the girls to the luncheon. They will return at 2:15. The girls going are” Melissa Buterbaugh, Erica Hossler, Jorjan Jeter, Annalee Laird, Cherish Lewis, Candice Lisenby, Pia Marie Paulone, Elsie Ritchie, Valerie Sharer, Dortha Williams and April Young.

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Visitors – On Friday, March 2, a small group from Bloomfield Hills School in Bloomfield Michigan will be on campus all day. The group consists of 2 Elementary teachers, 1 ASL Specialist and their supervisor. Their schedule looks like this:

Thursday evening: Arrival in Indy

Friday

- 9:00 Overview of Elementary (David Geeslin)
- 9:30 Observe Classes
- 10:00 Meet with Curriculum Director (Glenda Zmijewski)
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Meet with ASL Coordinator (Gary Mowl) or Observe
- 11:30 Lunch
- 12:30 Group Meeting
- 2:00 Wrap up

Technology News - To avoid disturbing active classrooms to perform our service to your technology, we will be coming in your classrooms only during these times: (1) during your prep time, (2) after hours (after 3:15), (3) when your classroom are vacant for some reason (e.g., field trip or library), or (4) advance planning with you and/or your supervising teacher. This policy applies only for those of you teachers who have classrooms. For all other staff, we will continue to visit you whenever we can, and if necessary reschedule visits if there are conflicts. Your help desk leaders will start putting information in your work request tickets in the PRAT system the available visit times. Jay Krieger, Director of Technology

Attention Teachers - The Ball State participants will be on spring vacation next week. They will be return to the classrooms on March 12th.

ISTEP+ Meeting for Parents - On Thursday, March 8, 2001

Presenters: ISD Education Team

- 5:30 Dinner (Brown Cafeteria)
- 6:15 Opening (Alumni Hall Library)
 - Mini ISTEP+ Test & Discussion
 - ISTEP+ Tools
 - Student Remediation for ISTEP+
 - What Parents Can Do-Panel
 - Where are we going?
- 8:00 Wrap up

No child care RSVP to: Diane Hazel Jones 924-8418

Preschool & NARYC - Preschool is working on accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The staff has completed their questionnaires that evaluate various aspects of Preschool. There were only two areas that need improvement:

- New staff training
 - Volunteers and staff are familiar with primary and secondary evaluation procedures with children monthly.
- The staff has also completed the parts relating to qualifications and classroom schedules. Parent questionnaires were mailed last week. The department needs need analyze the parents' questionnaires and identify necessary improvements. The Supervising Teacher, Curriculum Director and Principal are completing their portions. Preschool's goal is to complete everything by Spring Break.

Reminder - Staff visiting a classroom must first stop by the supervising teacher's office. In a meeting with a teacher yesterday, it was brought up that classes are interrupted often without supervising teachers' approval, i.e. a staff member entering a yearbook class to discuss an athletic issue with a teacher, not related to the yearbook class. Please contact the supervising teacher before you bother a class.

Opportunities

HIV/AIDS Conference in Cincinnati - Registration has begun for the **Cincinnati Area Committee on HIV/AIDS and Deaf Communities annual conference**, which will be held this year on Saturday, March 31. This year's conference will include a keynote address by Harry Woosley, founder of the Deaf AIDS Project within the Family Services Foundation in Baltimore, MD, followed by two one-hour breakout workshop sessions. Most sessions will be on HIV/AIDS-related issues (Men's/Women's Issues, Giving Support to Others, and Your Rights), but other workshops will address Alcohol & Drug Use, Diabetes, and Cancer. *A full program has been added just for teens.* The conference is *free*, with lunch and child care included. For information or a copy of the registration form, please contact Jim Frenchik in Middle School.

SRC Duty

MS - Becky Smith

HS - Ron Borron Joyce Levy

Staff Working Off Campus

Bob Kovatch, Mary Power and Linda Lloyd will be visiting our students at Arsenal tech this morning until 10:00 am. David Geeslin is at a workshop.

Staff Absences

Preschool	Lucy Kramer (Jill Lestina will sub.)
Elementary	Guy Volmar (Dawn Walker will sub.)
	Avis Dupree
	Monica Byrum
Middle School	
High School	Keith Westhoelter
	Loretta Hammel (Kim Galagan will sub.)

Principal's Office

Outreach

Kathleen Walters
Jeff Richards (Late)
Daniel Smith (Out this morning)

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If you would thoroughly know anything, teach it to others. – Tryon Edwards

Today's Activities

9:00 R. Bailey Assess
10:00 B. Worby ABR
1:00 K. Chew ACR
G. Cole ACR
2:30 C. Chew ACR
3:00 M. Braxton HE
MS Girls Basketball at Dragon
Classic at St. Rita

Today's Menu

Lunch
Pizza
Cabbage Roll*
Corn
Salad
Nachos & Cheese*
Cake

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Classification of Students

One hundred percent (100%) of the students enrolled at ISD are classified as special education students, and as required by law, each student has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP). As part of special education law (Part B of IDEA), students are classified according to their handicapping conditions. ISD has students classified into six categories of handicapping conditions. The following, based on the December 1 Headcount submitted to the Department of Education on December 5, 2000, is a listing of conditions and the number of students classified into that condition for the 2000-2001 school year:

Hearing Impaired	266 students
Multiple Handicap	13 students
Autism	6 students
Dual Sensory Impairment	4 students
Traumatic Brain Injury	1 student
Other Health Impairment	<u>1 student</u>
Total	291 students

Announcements

Visit Comments - Comments from Harrison High School students (Lafayette) after their February visitation at ISD:

- I thought it was neat that they had T.V.'s. Everything they learn is the same except they learn sign language. It's pretty neat how they do that!
- The Deaf School was really interesting to me. I was amazed at the T.V.'s around the halls for announcements and other things like that. I really liked having some of the students come out to the hall and speak to us in American Sign Language.
- I thought it was cool that the Deaf School had 21 different buildings. The sign language that was painted on the wall was something that also was very cool. And the dorms almost looked like they were college dorms.

- I would like to learn sign language now.
- The kids there seemed more cheerful than at our high school and the building was brighter and happier.
- I thought the distance learning was neat. I didn't know that each country has its own sign language. I was also surprised at how big the campus was. We were told that it was just like a college, but seeing is believing.
- It was interesting to learn the different ways that it is thought to be polite.
- The school is very good at sports....especially the girls' basketball team.
- There seemed to be computers in every room! I wish our school was more like that!
- It was interesting to see how your system works. You have a really great school, cool teachers, and really nice students!
- I liked how the teachers teach one on one.

ATHLETES - LAST WARNING - You must pay \$4.00 for team and individual pictures by Monday, March 5th or *YOUR PICTURE WILL NOT BE ORDERED*. Give money to coaches or Brian Bippus ASAP!!

Job Skills Training Center and City Food Partnership. J.S.T.C. (Job Skills Training Center) and City Food have entered into a partnership. Tricia Mera and Shane Strodman are the volunteer staff with City Food. They will be on campus today working along side J.S.T.C. students at the Wehring Wetlands Greenhouse. City Food is a non-profit organization that envisions a city of many thriving agricultural applications doing entrepreneurship, beautification, healthful eating and an ecologically conscious community life. Please show Tricia and Shane a warm ISD welcome.

ISDT TV Update - ISDTV has been expanded again! PreSchool and Assessment are now able to receive ISDTV. Prechool's TV is still on a cart and will eventually be mounted on their hallway. Assessment's TV is on a TV stand which goes nicely with the rest of their lobby furniture. The Vocational Building is the last remaining building of those targeted buildings that does not have ISDTV installed yet (although MML and Technology Center already have ISDTVs). We have already ordered our next batch of 12 TVs, which will expand and compliment the ISDTV infrastructure. Also, we are researching the purchasing of one critical piece of equipment (to be installed in the TV Studio, which is the center of this ISDTV network) that would allow us to combine and control various TV inputs (Time Warner Cable, VCRs, DVDs, Live, etc.) and broadcast our own exclusive channel lineup. Once that piece of equipment is purchased and installed, everyone, especially in the dorms, will be able to view more channels besides ISDTV.

A two-way video system has been installed in the Auditorium. One unit is set up next to the light control box in the upper level. Another unit is set up on the right side of the stage. This system will enable visual communication between the light technician and the stage manager during any show events. This system was something we wanted for a long time. Melba Bippus, Yvonne Catt, and Debbie Fetzner will be trained on how to use the system.

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DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE???? - You have the opportunity to make a difference in eliminating breast cancer by joining the ISD Team in the Race for the Cure. This race encourages participants to ask friends, co-workers and family for pledges to help eradicate breast cancer. The 5k Run and/or Walk race will be held on April 21 on the IUPUI campus starting at 9 a.m. Two years ago, we had 65 staff, Ball State participants and friends sign up to be a part of the ISD Team. We would like to top that number for the 2001 race. Help us meet our goal by signing up for the race as soon as possible. The registration for the race is \$18.00, and you will get a t-shirt with your registration. You can pick up a registration form from your Supervising and/or Dean. Please return all **signed registration** forms and checks to Mary Alice Moon by **Tuesday, March 27, 2001**. She has a mailbox in Donna Stutler's office. The money you collect for the **pledges** does not have to be turned in until **Thursday, April 12. Race for the Cure!**

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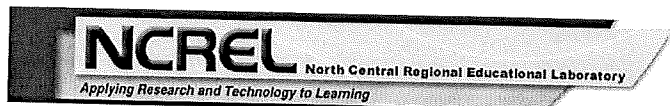
Shannon Stafford (In at 9:45)

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Try to generate happiness within yourself. – The Cub's Fan Little Book of Wisdom



21st-Century Skills

According to the North Central Regional Educational laboratory, research shows that skills required for this century fall into four areas – Digital-age Literacy, Inventive Thinking, Effective Communication and High Productivity. The area further breakdown into sub-divisions:

Digital-Age Literacy

1. Basic, Scientific, and Technological Literacy
2. Visual and information Literacy
3. Cultural Literacy and Global Awareness

Inventive Thinking

1. Adaptability/Managing Complexity
2. Curiosity, Creativity, and Risk Taking
3. Higher Order Thinking and Sound Reasoning

Effective Communication

1. Teaming, Collaboration, and Interpersonal Skills
2. Personal and Social Responsibility
3. Interactive Communication

High Productivity

1. Prioritizing, Planning, and Managing for Results
2. Effective Use of Real-World Tools
3. Relevant, High Quality Products

As educator we must ask ourselves periodically, "Are our methodologies preparing our students for the 21st Century World or the 20th or 19th Centuries?" Align your instruction with the future, as our student will know it! (Taken from <http://www.ncrel.org/engage/>)

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Potato Wedges
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Fruit Cocktail

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Pineapple Juice
Cereal
Poached Eggs
Sausage

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March 4 – 10 Indiana Severe Weather Awareness Week – ISD will participate in a state-wide severe (tornado) weather drill between 1:30 and 2:0 pm on Wednesday, March 7, 2001. Teachers should review severe weather procedures with their students (where to go and how to sit) and make sure they have their roster books with them during the drill.

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Enrollment by County

There are 92 counties in Indiana. ISD has students enrolled from throughout the state as students come from 57 different counties. Counties with the most students at ISD are Marion County (121 students), Hamilton County (28 students), Lawrence County (14 students) and Lake County (13 students).

Gender

The number of male students at ISD increased by 25% in the 2000-2001 school year as compared with the 1995-1996 school year. While the number of female students remained relatively stable, the percentage of female students of the total student body decreased by 7% indicating that new students enrolling into ISD primarily have been male students. In the 2000-2001 school year based on the December 1 headcount, 58% of the total student body was males and 42% were females. Figure 4 shows number of enrolled female and male students at ISD for the last six years.

Figure 3: Female and male students at ISD

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yeth – A play scheduled to be presented this Wednesday, March 7 has been postponed to a later date. It will be announced soon. There will be no Activity Period on March 7, 2001.

Visitors – A PIP family from Whiteland will visit Preschool today. Please make them welcome.

Your Help Is Needed! – Are you having any problems with your phone's TTY or voice answering system. The manufacturer will at ISD in late March to alleviate any recurring problems. Please send your concerns to BJ Helton, Switchboard Operator, so they can be addressed. Thank you for your assistance.

Opportunities

On-line resources for Teachers and Students

Internet Projects

These sites will aid teachers who are looking for Internet project for their classes. Internet Projects typically involve some sort of joint venture in which students from different classes around the country, continent, or world work together. They are curriculum-based and will often involve each classroom obtaining local information, conducting research, and/or producing a product. Electronic sharing between classes can occur during the classwork itself or after the "product" has been prepared. Please read our [disclaimer](#).

✦ AT&T Virtual Classroom

"AT&T Virtual Classroom 1998 offers three stimulating online programs for all levels of primary and secondary school students, including the popular AT&T Virtual Classroom Contest, a website design competition for multinational teams."

✦ Computer Pals Around the World (CPAW)

CPAW is a non profit global educational electronic network with a presence in over 20 countries. They provide an online calendar of global projects from which members can choose. Note that there is a fee to become a member of this organization.

✦ EduWeb: Projects

If you are looking for an Internet project partner outside of North America, be sure to check out EduWeb - there is a decidedly European flavour to the projects that are posted on their site. EduWeb is hosted by a U.K. internet service provider and provides search capabilities by grade and/or subject areas. They check all projects before they are posted for educational suitability and, as project start dates are passed, notices are removed from the database.

✦ Global Kids Commons

In addition to sponsoring a number of Internet Projects, Global Commons Inc. offers the "Electronic Sister School Program" - a service through which schools are matched with other schools around the world. Schools then communicate with each other to set up either project or keypal exchanges.

✦ Global Schoolhouse Foundation: Internet Projects Registry

If you're looking for an Internet project for your students, this site is a good place to start. It contains information about GSN projects as well as those from many other organizations as well. Project information is organized by the month in which it is scheduled to start.

✦ [The] Grassroots Program

If you have an idea for an Internet classroom project, Canadian teachers may submit project proposals to the GrassRoots Program for funding (\$300). To be eligible, your classroom project will need to use Internet resources for educational purposes and be open to participation by other classes/students. Or, search this site to find Canadian projects to join or just browse through the project descriptions to learn more about what can be done with an Internet project. This program is operated by SchoolNet Canada in co-operation with provincial and corporate sponsors.

✦ iEARN (International Education and Resource Network)

iEARN enables young people to undertake projects designed to make a meaningful contribution to the health and welfare of the planet and its people. It offers a web of 35-40 structured projects, each with a teacher-facilitator, in social studies, science, environment, math, arts, literature, and interdisciplinary

areas.

✚ Intercultural E-Mail Classroom Connections

The IECC Organization manages several mailing lists intended to help teachers and classes link with partners in other countries and cultures for e-mail classroom pen-pal and project exchanges. This site contains subscription information, request forms, browsable archives, and searchable archives. Note: archive files will take a long time to download and have limited value due to the time sensitive nature of the original requests. If you're interested in keypals or projects, we recommend you join the lists.

✚ Kidlink

Kidlink is a grassroots organization aimed at involving students aged 10-15 in a global dialog. These dialogs may involve open email discussion, moderated discussions around a theme, and special projects.

✚ Montage

A joint project of educational organizations in the UK and Australia, Montage provides a series of interactive, international curriculum projects. Each project has descriptors on target audience, project highlights, project information, and contact information.

✚ NickNacks: Telecollaborate

B.E.S.T. reviewed this site as follows: "This site guides educators through the process of creating a collaborative internet project between schools across the country or across the world. There are sample projects as well as more technical information about how to decide on file formats, types, how to get shareware, how to use ftp or the web (and HTML), sound files, and much more. There is also a resource center of other WWW resources regarding internet projects. Lastly, there is a page on "Leading a Successful Internet Project" which includes hints for designing your lesson plan, recruiting, preparing and running your project, as well as wrap-up procedures." Caution: Intrusive and annoying advertising.

✚ On-line Projects

Looking for an on-line project for your students to join? This Pitsco meta-list has links to over 80 WWW sites that have information on collaborative projects. Some are specific to a particular project, while other links are to organizations that sponsor a whole range of collaborative projects.

✚ Project Center

Houghton Mifflin's Project Center provides information on a number of classroom projects involving the Internet. Categories of projects include: Reading, Math, Social Studies, Science, and General. This information may be used to either get directly involved in the project or it may be useful in stimulating ideas for your own project.

✚ Sharing NASA

Find out more about NASA's "sharing projects" in which students can participate in authentic scientific and engineering pursuits.

✚ TeleCollaborative Projects

The Quebec English Schools Network has a host of internet projects dedicated to helping teachers use Internet in the everyday classroom or check out their archives for some project ideas. They also have resources to assist students and teachers in learning how to communicate on the Internet.

✚ ThinkQuest

ThinkQuest is an annual contest for students aged 12-19 with scholarship prizes over a million dollars awarded. Students design an educational internet site that can be used as a teaching or learning tool. Learn more about the contest, or examine the sites that have been part of previous years' contests.

✚ World Kids Network

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	Mike McGrath
Middle School	Carrie Martin (Beth Bike will sub from 8:30 - 1:45.)
	Linda Jones (Late)
High School	Lithia White
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Outreach	Paula Kay Ream
	Shannon Stafford
	Cathy Padre
	Deb Lie brick
Student Life	

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Tuesday, March 6, 2001

FIREBALLS AT WORK - Fireballs to all staff today who will talk to students about yesterday's tragedy in the California High School. There are two common issues in almost all of the school violence that has been in the national news over the past few years:

1. Students who committed acts of violence where picked on by other students prior to the violent act.
2. Students who committed acts of violence usually told (bragged or threatened) their friends about their intentions before activity.

Today would be a great day to emphasize to students the ideas of tolerance, patience, school family, and working with staff to ensure a safe, caring, and nurturing school environment.

Today's Activities

Dance Kaleidoscope Performance in the Elementary Gym, 1:45 p.m.

PTCO Day Committee meeting in the Distance Learning Room, 1:00 p.m.

ASL Distance Learning Classes - Plainfield High School - 50 students (10 shadows - 40 involved in activities with Ms. Pfaff and Mr. Smith) and Beach Grove High School - 6 students will visit ISD today.

HS Boys Basketball Sectional - 2001 CLASS A BOYS BASKETBALL SECTIONAL at BLUE RIVER VALLEY

Tuesday, March 6 6:00 PM ISD vs. LAPEL
7:45 PM M. MEMORIAL vs. BLUE RIVER
Friday, March 9 6:00 PM Winners of Tuesday's game
7:45 PM DALEVILLE vs. TRI HIGH
Saturday, March 10 7:30 PM CHAMPIONSHIP

Directions: Take North I-69 to exit #19 (Pendleton). Turn right toward Pendleton. Stop at Hwy 67 and turn left onto Hwy 36. Turn right on Hwy 36 to Mt. Summit. Continue past Mt. Summit for 3 more miles and see school on right side. (Driving time: 1 hour) Ticket Cost: All Sessions (3 days) \$7.00 or Session (1 day) \$4.00

Today's Menu

Lunch	Dinner	Breakfast
Ham Steak	*Beef Burrito	Orange Juice
*Cheese manicotti	Willard - Tacos	Dry or Cooked Cereal
Mac & Cheese	Taco Toppings	Poached Eggs
Green Beans	Sour Cream	Sausage
Bread/Margarine	Corn	Toast/Jelly
Pudding/Topping	Pears/Cookies	
*Fruit Juice Bar		

Upcoming Activities

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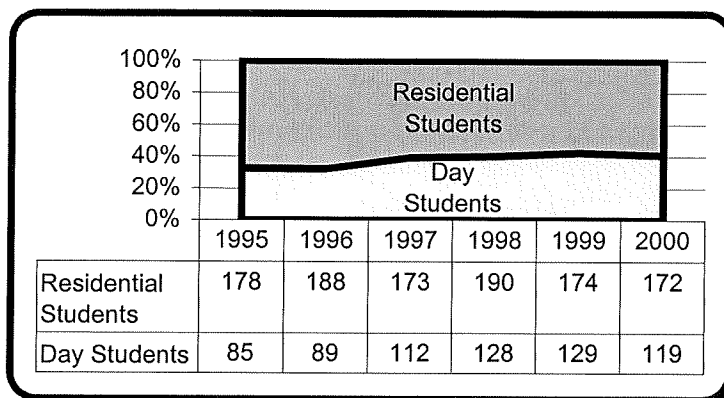
(7:00; Free Admission)
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Residential and Day Students

The number of residential students remained relatively stable each year since the 1995-96 school year with the number peaking to 190 residential students in the 1998-99 school year. The number of day students increased significantly. The number of day students for the 1995-96 school year was 85 students and the number of day students increased to 119 in the 2000-2001 school year, an increase of 40%. Additionally, the percentage of day students of the total student body increased by 9% in the 2000-2001 school year as compared with the 1995-1996 school year.

Figure 5 shows the number and percentage of residential and day students



Announcements

Dance Kaleidoscope Performance – There will be a Dance Kaleidoscope performance at 1:45 p.m. in the Elementary gym. Everyone is welcome.

Practices for the performance is as follows:

9:00 – 10:00	5 th grade (practice)
10:00 – 11:00	4 th grade (practice)
11:00 – 12:00	3 rd grade (practice)
1:15	all group practice
1:45	performance

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ISTEP Workshop – There will be a parent meeting on Thursday, March 8, 2001 to learn more about the ISTEP process. Parents will have an opportunity to practice sample questions from the test.

5:30 Dinner – Brown Cafeteria
6:15 Meeting – Alumni Hall
8:00 Wrap up

For more information, contact Diane Hazel-Jones.

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Principal's Office	Dan Stutler
Outreach	Terri Motter

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Wednesday, March 7, 2001

STATEWIDE SEVERE WEATHER ALERT 1:30-2:00 P.M. TODAY

Today's Activities

8:30 Covenington HS ASL Classes will take a tour of ISD. WELCOME!

8:30 T. Gaby ACR

9:30-12:30 Plainfield High School students presently taking ASL II will visit and shadow the following students today:

ISD

Rachel Lawrence

Jessica Brimmer

Michele Elmore

Erica Hossler

Cherish Lewis

Willie McWhirter

Elizabeth Neal

Valerie Sharer

Lindsey Dougherty

Melissa Terrell

PHS

Hollie Detzler

Ember Williams

Sara Crane

Ashley Thaler

Krystal Leadmon

Andrew Daugherty

Megan Brown

Sarah Ventimiglia

Tabathia Nelson

Bethany Gunnell

10:30 Chris Buchanan-Schwanke Testing

1:30 Assessment Team Meeting

1:30-2:00 Statewide Severe Weather Alert

4:30 MS Swim Meet (Raymond Park Invitational) at Warren Central HS (directions in announcements).

Today's Menu

Lunch

Fish Sticks/Tarter Sauce

*Veal Parmesan

Topped Potatoes

Slaw

Bread/Margarine

Cake

Dinner

Spaghetti & Meat Sauce

Salad

Mixed Vegetables

Garlic Texas Bread

Jell-O/Topping

Breakfast

Apple Juice

Dry or Cooked Cereal

Willard - Hard Cooked Eggs

*Scrambled Eggs/Ham

Toast/Jelly/Danish

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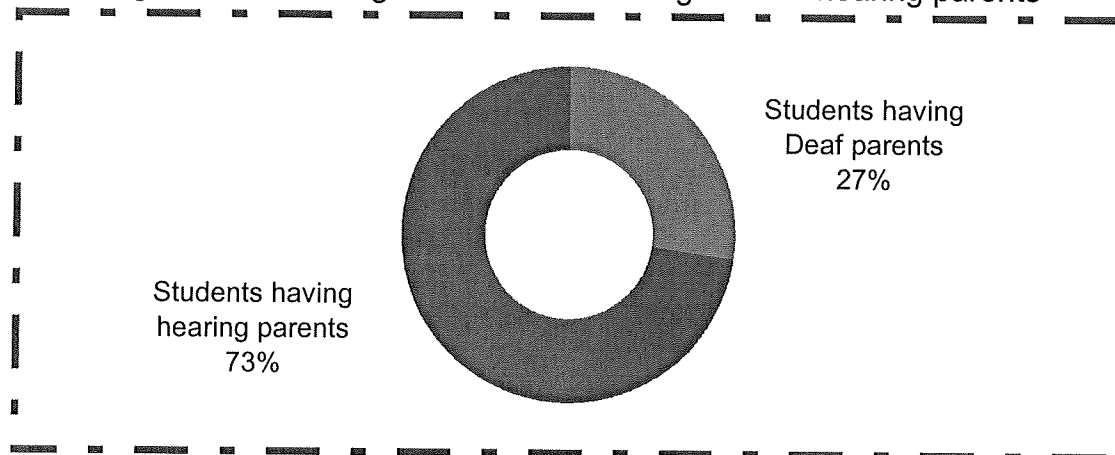
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FACTS ABOUT ISD

Students Having Deaf Parents or Hearing Parents

The number of students having Deaf parents at ISD has been increasing. Of the 302 students enrolled as of February 1, 2001, 82 students have Deaf parents. This represents 27% of the student body. This percentage figure is one of the highest in the nation among schools for the deaf.

Figure 6: Percentages of students having Deaf or hearing parents



Announcements

Indiana Boys' Basketball – What a powerful sectional tournament as I was well prepared for the first time in this high reputation basketball state tournament! Prior to the sectional game, we were facing an excellent and well-known basketball program, #19 in the state, Lapel. Lapel is known as a hard nose man to man defense team! Historically, ISD has never had a close game with this team or won a sectional game since 1983 when we won our last-time sectional. We lost to Lapel, 64-59, but this was the "Best GAME of the Year!" Read on below...

At the start of the game, we played a tough man-to-man defense to control their pose. In the first half, play was so tense and we were down by 7 points, 24-31, at halftime. Near the end of the third quarter, we trimmed our deficit to bring us within 4. In the fourth quarter, we used tough pressure defense to rally and take a 3 point lead when Robert Haney stole the opponent's ball out of his hand, scrambled the loose ball down the end of the court, and used a two handed thunder dunk over an opponent attempting to block the shot. It was one of Robert's best slam-dunks of the year! We continued to keep the game tense and close. Nearing the end of the game, Lapel found and ruined our pose button. We threw away two ghost passes and Lapel scored those unanswered points from our turnovers. Their free throws were hot as they shot 14 for 16. Four of our players scored double figures.

After the game, we received an inspiring standing ovation from a very large crowd of fans, non-playing basketball players and coaches from other schools who witnessed this game. I have never experienced this kind of recognition before. Our team and I received positive compliments from them. This 1A tournament included teams equivalent to some of the 3A schools in Missouri where I coached last year.

I am very proud of our boys as they completed our mission to finish the season strong in spite of facing some tough opponents in the state, some heartbreak games, and winning the season with a record of 12-9! This team is the same original players since October 30th! – Coach Keith Westhoelter

Koob/Fair Hall Phone Disruption – There will be a scheduled phone downtime in the Koob & Fair Halls this afternoon. Sprint technicians will be moving the existing phone connections to the new connections that they just installed. They will work in the Fair Hall first, for about three hours, then they will move to Koob Hall next for another three hours. For any questions or concerns contact Jay Krieger or Dan Stutler.

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We have 265 employees, 34 employees gave to the United Way (this also includes the staff that continues to give without stopping from one year to another). Total raised for 2000/2001 was \$4,166.00, our participation is 12.8% this changed our percentage to 20.1%.

This is just wonderful and we hope next year we will see a bigger increase. Giving to the United Way shows that someone cares and wants to see something better for people in need of help. It's not a charity but a gift to people with cancer, blindness, jobless, homeless, etc. Please consider giving next January and help someone that needs it.

Thanks to everyone that gave and again, what an AWESOME school!

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George Houk

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Principal's Office Dan Stutler

Outreach Linda Charlesbois

Carol Wild

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Thursday, March 8, 2001

Substitute Teacher Emergency

There are several pre-approved teacher absences tomorrow and our pool of substitutes is very shallow. We appreciate an extra effort for all other educational staff to be at school tomorrow

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*Mexican Lasagna
Rice
Spinach
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Crackle Ice Cream Bar

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FACTS ABOUT ISD

Unique Local Insights

In order to gain unique insights regarding the quality of ISD programs and services, surveys were distributed to parents, students and teachers. The School Profile Committee using a model used by a local public school modified the parent survey. The student and teacher survey consisted of opinion inventories developed by the National Study of School Evaluation (NSSE). In addition, NSSE prepared an executive summary report, which included a comparison report between student and teacher responses.

Responses to surveys were very positive. Forty percent (40%) of the parents responded to the parent survey. Over 85% of the students in the Middle School and the High School responded to the student survey and over 95% of the teaching staff responded to the teacher survey. The overwhelming response, in itself, demonstrates a strong vested interest in the continuing improvement of ISD.

Parent Survey

Parents were asked to rate the school in areas of goal attainment, integration, maintenance and adaptation. Surveys were sent to each parent (238 parents) and 101 were returned. Parents rated the area adaptation the highest and integration the lowest in their responses to the survey. For a full and detailed report, see Appendix A for the results of the parent survey.

The first measure is goal attainment, which is defined as perception of the ability of the school to work together with parents in defining objectives and achieving desired student success. The most favorable responses were:

- ❖ ISD keeps parents well informed about how well their children are doing in school and what their children needs to be learning in school.

The least favorable responses were:

- ❖ ISD keeps parents well informed about what their children are learning in school and how parents can help their children at home.

Figure 1 shows how parents felt ISD was performing in regards to the measure of goal attainment.

The second measure is integration, which is defined as perceptions of the ability of the school to include parents in the various school tasks necessary for achievement. The most favorable responses were:

- ❖ ISD appreciates what parents have done to help ISD.

- ❖ ISD lets parents know when and where volunteer help is needed.

The least favorable responses were:

- ❖ ISD has made good use of parents' talents.

- ❖ Parents have been asked to help out at a school activity or event.

- ❖ Parents have been invited to participate on a school committee.

Figure 2 shows how parents felt ISD was performing in regards to the measure of integration.

The third measure is maintenance, which is defined as perception of the school's ability to create and maintain the school's motivational and value structure. The most favorable responses were:

- ❖ At ISD, the family's culture, ethnicity and religion are respected.

- ❖ ISD keeps parents well informed of PTCO/PAC meetings and events.

- ❖ ISD keeps parents well informed of school policies and procedures.

- ❖ Parents felt listened to at ISD.

- ❖ Parents felt they are treated as partners in their children's education.

- ❖ Parents felt the staff asks for and values their opinions.

There were no least favorable responses. Figure 3 shows how parents felt ISD was performing in regards to the measure of maintenance.

The fourth measure is adaptation: perception of the school's ability to successfully deal with the parents. The most favorable responses were:

- ❖ Parents felt ISD staff is friendly when they visit or call.

- ❖ Parents like taking their children to ISD.

- ❖ Parents can easily reach their children's teachers if they need to.

- ❖ If there are problems, parents know whom to contact.

- ❖ Parents felt problems related to their children are addressed quickly and fairly.

- ❖ Parents felt involved at ISD.

There were no least favorable responses. Figure 4 shows how parents felt ISD was performing in regards to the measure of adaptation.

The key findings of the parent survey show that there is much parent satisfaction with the school and the staff at ISD. Weaknesses in the areas of goal attainment and integration have been identified as areas of potential school improvement.

Figure 1: Parent Survey-Goal Attainment

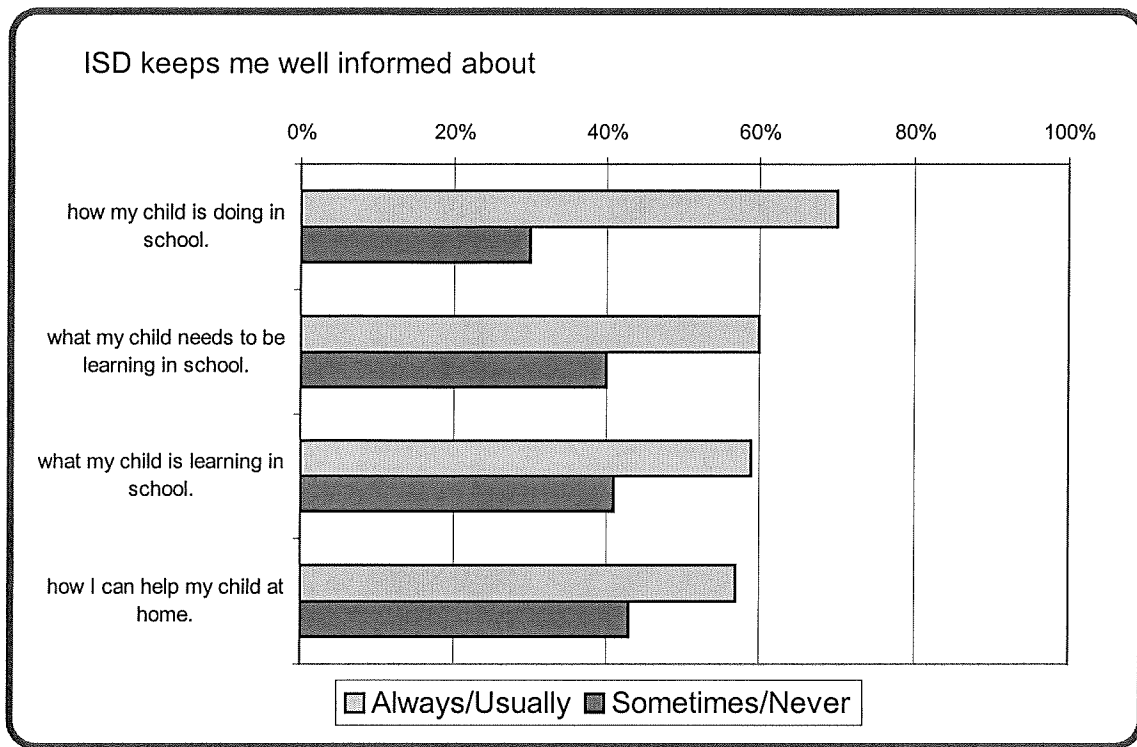


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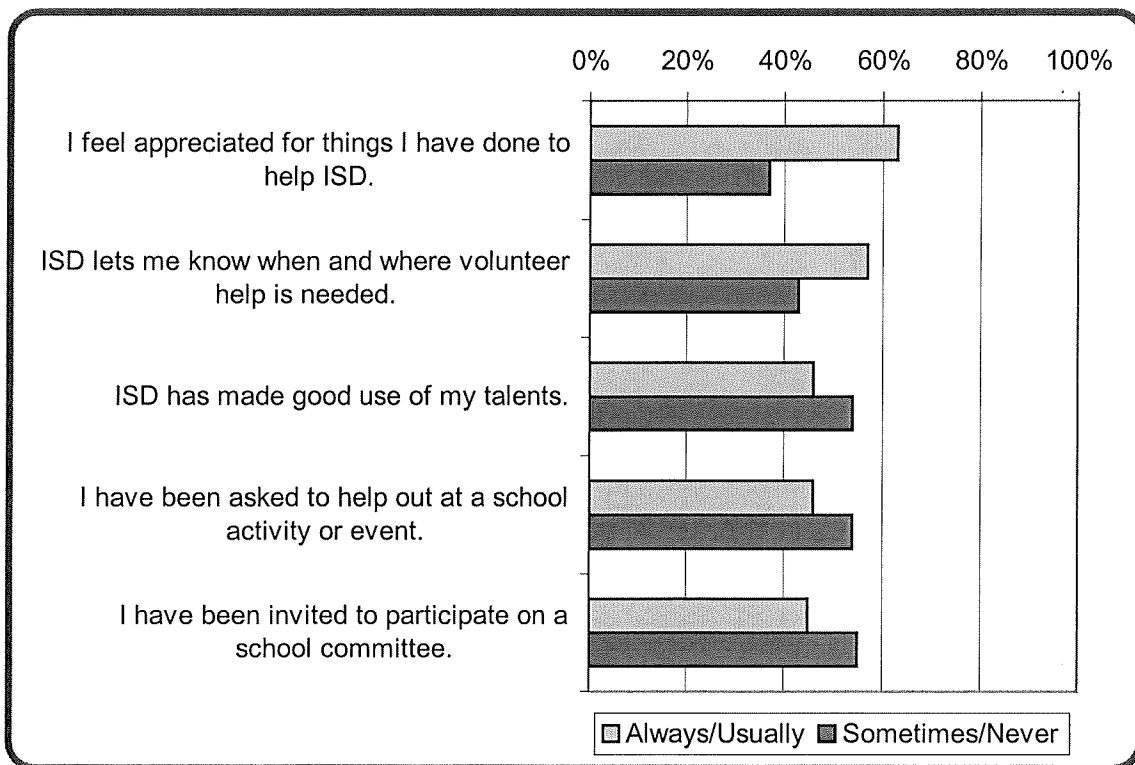


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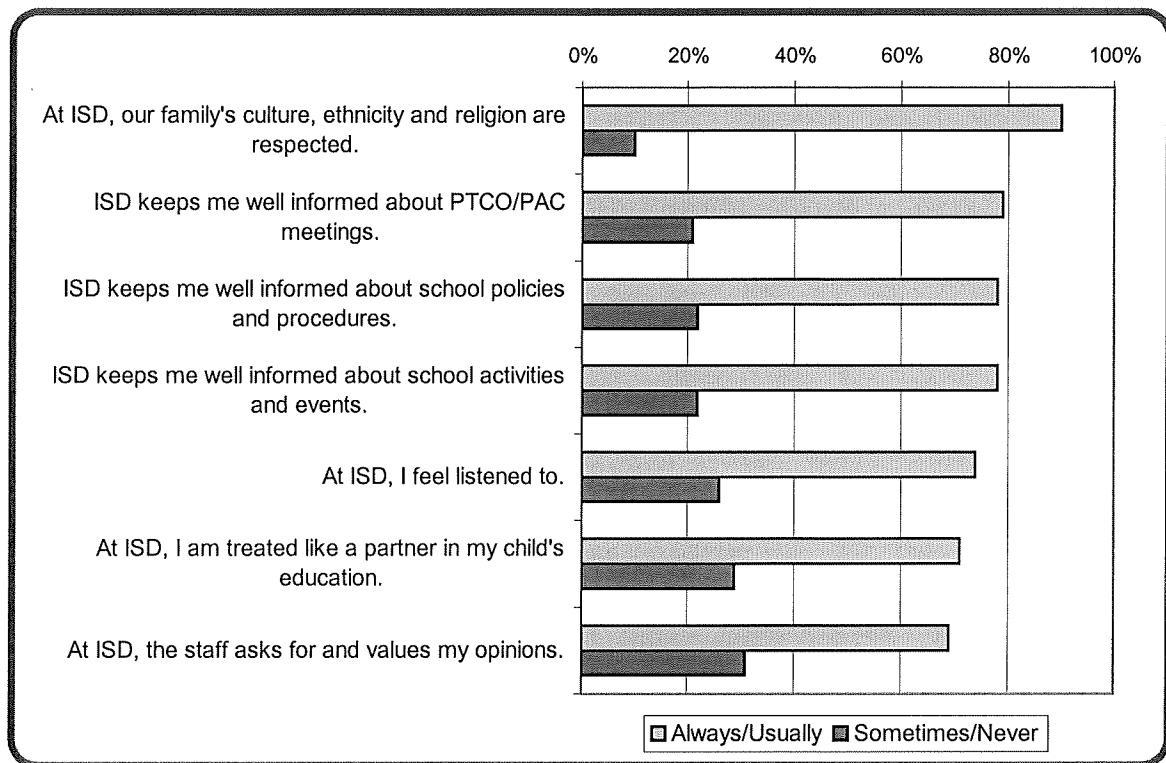
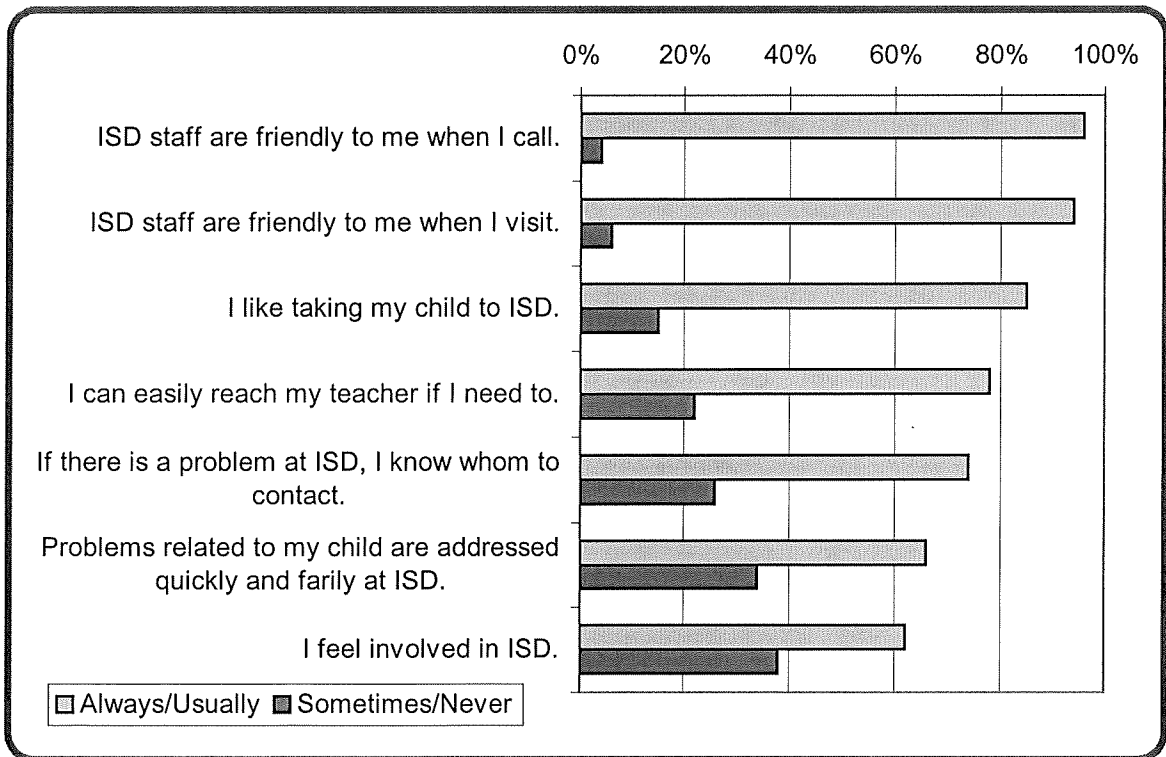


Figure 4: Parent Survey - Adaptation



Announcements

Superintendent Search Update – ISD's Superintendent Search process is in full swing. Advertisements communicating the availability of the superintendent's position has been published and many inquires have been made. During this period, several other deaf schools have also announced superintendent vacancies. Give that potential candidates need sufficient time to compare and evaluate the various opportunities that are available; the ISD School Board has decided to extend the superintendent search application deadline to April 7, 2001. With the revised timeline, it is anticipated that interviews will commence in early May and that a selection would be made in June. Additional updates will be provided in the future. – Scot Jensen, ISD School Board Chairman.

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Sports

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Edna Olsen - late

High School

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Carol Kunsak – leaving at noon

Principal's Office

Dan Stutler

Outreach

Cindy Lawrence - late

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Friday, March 9, 2001

The human race has only effective weapon, and that is laughter. – Mark Twain

FIREBALLS AT WORK

Congratulations to Thomas Barnett. He is one of sixty (60) finalists in Project XL for his performance "I Believe I Can Fly". Good luck, Thomas, in the finals!

Did you Know?

- 30%-40% of the deaf and hard of hearing children born today have other issues that impact academics.
- 90% of all special education students have average or above intelligence.

Today's Activities

- 8:00 Willard Elementary Department proudly presents the Annual K-5th Grade Science Celebration! Parents, grandparents, siblings, staff and students are welcome in the Elementary science classes from 8:00 to 11:45. Cheryl Nagel, teacher from St. Rita School for the Deaf, will visit Middle School classes until lunch.
- 8:30 A. Stratman Assessment
- 9:00 F. Dupree Testing
- 10:00 B. James ACR2
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Middle school students and high school students were asked to participate in a survey using the NSSE Opinion Inventories. Students were asked to rate programs and services in order to provide ISD with data. This data will guide the school in its improvement process. Of the 166 students, 137 surveys were completed and returned. For a detailed report of the analysis of responses prepared by NSSE in its executive summary presentation report, refer to Exhibit A.

Based on the mean scores, a listing of most favorable responses and least favorable responses was provided. Students' most favorable responses were:

- I am in the student activities (clubs, plays, sports, student government, etc.) that I want to be in.

- Parents feel welcome in our school.
- Students feel safe traveling to and from school.
- Our school provides students and teachers with a safe and orderly environment for learning.
- Teachers hold high expectations for learning.

The least favorable responses were:

- Cheating occurs infrequently in our school.
- Sexual harassment is not a problem at our school.
- Discipline policies are fair at this school.
- I am satisfied with the extent to which the administration includes students in making decisions about matters that directly affect students (e.g. dress standards, assemblies, hall passes, etc.).
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Summary Report of the Average of Responses to the Survey Items Within Each Category of Items		
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Support for Student Learning	3.82	3.59
School Climate/Environment for Learning	3.69	3.42
Student Activities/Involvement in School	3.91	3.59
Total Score	3.78	3.54

Announcements

Sports Update

Middle School Wrestling – Our team did an incredible job at the Beech grove Individual Tournament yesterday. It was the most challenging event that Coach Pfaff has ever viewed. The other teams at the meet were Beech grove, Greenwood, Whiteland and the Blind School. Our team won six 1st Places and two 2nd Places. Congratulations to:

Otto Szamkowski -	First Place	Clayton Anderson -	First Place
Joseph Pfaff -	First Place	Stanley Manigold -	First Place
Ben Gulliam -	First Place	Marcus Terry -	First Place
Terris Hazard -	Second Place	Jamie Winslow -	Second Place

Special congratulations to Joseph Pfaff for his third straight First Place in this tournament. He won First in the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades.

Search for New Superintendent - SD's Superintendent Search process is in full swing. Advertisements communicating the availability of the superintendent's position have been published, and many inquiries have been made. During this period, several other deaf schools have also announced superintendent vacancies. Given that potential candidates need sufficient time to compare and evaluate the various opportunities that are available, the ISD School Board has decided to extend the superintendent search application deadline to April 7, 2001. With the revised timeline, it is anticipated that interviews will commence in early May and that a selection would be made in June. Additional updates will be provided in the future. - Scott Jensen, Chairman, ISD School Board

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STUDENTS: Hands Alive Student Art Show - Today is the deadline for applications for the Hands Alive Student Art Show. The artwork deadline is March 16th. For an application and information, contact Scotty Zwicker in the Vocational Building, Room 7209.

New Yearbook Email Address - The ISD Yearbook office has a new email address. It is isdymbk@hotmail.com.

Market Day - PTCO would like to remind you that the last day for Market Day orders with the order blank is today. Please send them to the PTCO Office. Market day has a minimum of 30 orders and \$2,000.00 in sales in a month. Last month we did 30 orders and \$2,000.00 in sales. Our kids got \$250.00 for that. Let us make that goal again for March.

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Staff Working Off Campus

All of our interpreters are working off campus today. No one is available today for any additional work. Thanks – Amber Johnson

Several staff will attend the Early Childhood Workshop all day:

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| - Diana Battiste (PS) | - Sharon Mealka (PS) |
| - Cynthia Reynolds (PS) | - Cami Cass (PS) |
| - Connie Jones-McLean (PS) | - Angie Casler (PS) |
| - Mike Paulone (PS) | - Dave Tester (PS) |
| - Suzi McGeath (Elem) sub is Jill Lestina | - Linda Cooper (Elem) sub is Lane Grover |
| - Marie Kellam-Cook (Elem) sub is Kim Galagan | - Danielle Griska (Elem) sub is John Lestina |
| - Becki Philhower (Elem) – sub is Ted Myhre | - Kara Knebel (Elem) |
| - David Geeslin (Elem) | - Chris Fetzner (Elem) |
| - Louise Fitzpatrick (Outreach) | - Glenda Zmijewski (Ed) |
| - Cindy Lawrence, Lori Dille, Brenda Mowl, and Molly Peters will be manning the booth for PIP at this conference. | |

VSA Board Meeting – Scott Zwicker (Out in the afternoon only)

Reportmate Clarity training session – Bruce Peters and Jeff Richards

Staff Absences

Preschool	Amy Bippus
Elementary	Monica Byrum
	Sandy Hakes
	Guy Vollmar
	Kelli Phillips
	Scott Smith
Middle School	Denise Hibbitt – sub is Beth Beyke
	George Houk
	Catherine Rahn – out in the afternoon
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	Elen Zook
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ISD Daily Bulletin

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Monday, March 12, 2001

The US Constitution only gives people the right to pursue happiness. You have to catch it yourself. – Benjamin Franklin

Deaf President Now!

When Gallaudet University began searching for a new president in 1988, qualified deaf applicants were encouraged to apply. Two of the three finalists were deaf. When the selection of the hearing applicant was announced, protesting students, alumni, faculty, and staff closed the University.

Following an outpouring of support from around the world, Gallaudet's first deaf president, I. King Jordan, was appointed along with a new deaf chairperson and deaf majority on the Board of Trustees. Many people deaf and hearing view this week as the start of Deaf Empowerment.

Editor's Note

March 13 through April 15 is Deaf History Month. The DB will feature articles and information about Deaf History in the issues for the next four weeks. If you have pictures and narratives that you want to share with the ISD Community, please contact Dan Stutler at 924-8414 or djstutler@isfd.state.in.us.

(Taken from <http://departs.gallaudet.edu/deafeyes/>)

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8:30	J. Hall	ACR
	S. James	ACR
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10:00	B. Stewart	CC
	S. Mangold	CC
1:00	M. Terrell	CC
	A. Laubenstein	ACR
1:30	T. Jones-Vest	HE
2:30	R. Lewis	ACR
3:45	HS Track Practice begins in Caskey Gym. Dan Fitzpatrick, Beth Fields, Dawn Walker are the girls' coaches and Michael McGeath, Ken Anderson and Keith Westhoelter are the boys' coaches.	

Today's Menu

Lunch

Vegetable Beef Dinner
Cheese Manicotti*
Salad
Nachos*
Soft Pretzel*
Pineapple

Dinner

Pizza
Salad
Fruit Cocktail
Cookies

Breakfast

Orange Juice
Cereal
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Facts about ISD

Teacher Survey

Teachers at ISD were asked to participate in a survey using the NSSE Opinion Inventories. As for students, teachers were asked to rate programs and services in order to provide ISD with data in order to guide the school in its improvement process. Teachers in preschool, elementary, middle and high schools along with the Outreach Department participated in the survey and eighty-four (84) surveys were completed and returned. For a detailed report of the analysis of responses prepared by NSSE in its executive summary presentation report, refer to Exhibit A.

The method of completing the survey, calculation of responses and analysis of the report was similar to how the student survey was conducted. Teachers' most favorable responses were:

- ◆ Teachers give students personal encouragement in their work.
- ◆ All things considered, I am satisfied with being a teacher.
- ◆ Teachers provide instructional activities that involve students in their learning.
- ◆ I use the results of assessments of student learning to modify and adjust my teaching strategies to best meet learning needs.

- ◆ A variety of teaching strategies and learning activities is provided to students to help them learn.

The least favorable responses were:

- ◆ Teachers are provided adequate time each day to prepare for teaching.
- ◆ Parents take an active role in their children's education.
- ◆ Our school is doing a good job in the following areas: Career/Vocational Education.
- ◆ Our school is doing a good job in the following areas: Foreign Languages.
- ◆ The school's programs meet the requirements of students with special needs (learning disabled, gifted and talented, etc.).

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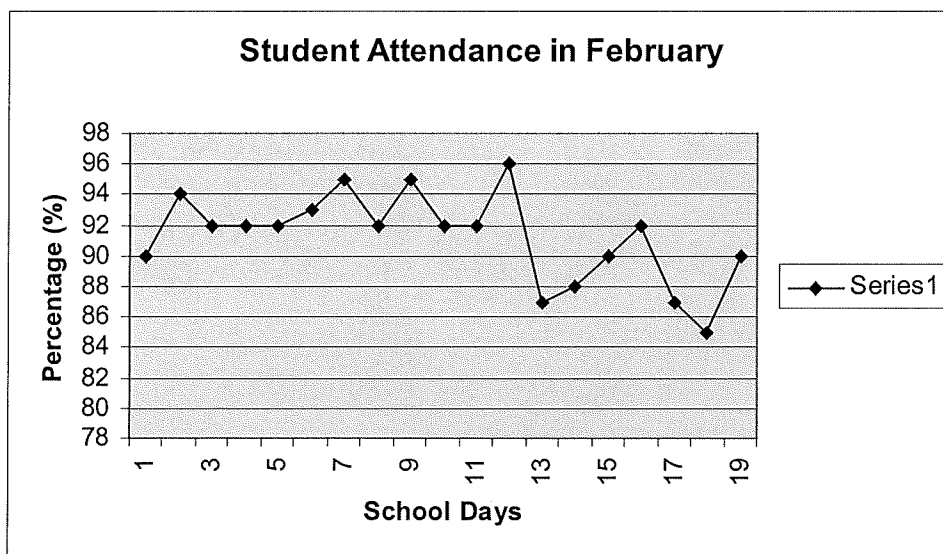
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<u>ISD Teachers</u>	<u>National Pattern</u>	
Teachers hold high expectations for student learning.	3.71	4.16
Our school's facilities are adequate to support the instructional program.	3.09	3.40
In our school students have access to a variety of resources to help them succeed in their learning, such as technology, media centers and libraries.	3.70	4.13
Our school provides students and teachers with a safe and orderly environment for learning.	3.80	4.07
Summary Report of the Average of Responses to the Survey Items Within Each Category of Items		
Quality of Instructional Programs	3.50	3.90
Support for Student Learning	3.45	3.80
School Climate/Environment for Learning	3.65	3.84
School Organization and Administration	3.32	3.56
Job Satisfaction 3.88	3.95	
Total Score 3.50	3.80	

Announcements

Student Attendance in February – Averaged 91.26316% Per Day



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ISD Daily Bulletin

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Tuesday, March 13, 2001

Action may not always bring happiness, but without action there is no happiness. – Benjamin Disraeli

FORMATION OF A DEAF COMMUNITY

In the early 1800s, the Reverend Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet traveled to Europe seeking effective teaching methods for educating deaf children at the request of Dr. Mason F. Cogswell, the father of a deaf daughter. Gallaudet returned with Laurent Clerc, a deaf teacher from the Paris Institute for the Deaf. With financial and organizational help from interested citizens and the Connecticut General Assembly, they established the Connecticut Asylum for the Education of Deaf and Dumb Persons in 1817, in Hartford, now known as the American School for the Deaf.

Gallaudet, an Evangelical Protestant minister, described his life's work as hastening Christ's return to earth by spreading the gospel. He once wrote, "No other object than the salvation of souls of the pupils can be named as of the highest moment." Gallaudet and many early teachers of deaf children learned sign language for the same reason other missionaries learned Native American or African languages—to bring the gospel to people seen as living beyond its reach.

Clerc brought to Hartford the sign language of Paris, a city with a large Deaf community and sophisticated sign language. This language, which he taught to other teachers, commingled with sign languages deaf students brought from across the country—some from New York, some from Philadelphia, some from Martha's Vineyard, home to an unusually large population of deaf people at the time—and out of this mix came modern American Sign Language.

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Today's Activities

8:00	ISTEP+ for Juniors and Seniors	
8:30	L. Leonard	Assess
9:45	ED Team Meeting in the Principal's Office	
10:00	M. Sturges	ACR
1:00	C. Wolfe	ACR

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BBQ Pork
Chicken Fricassee*
French Fries
Broccoli

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Fish Square
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Jello

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Key findings of the student survey and the teacher survey were:

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3. student responses regarding ISD programs and services is higher than teacher responses.

Surveys provided valuable data that will guide the development of recommendations for improving ISD programs and services. Perceived weaknesses will be considered as areas of potential school improvement.

Announcements

Staff – Brochures for Summer School will be mailed to parents and students along with the Third Quarter Reports this week. The brochures explain that Summer School will be offered to Elementary, Middle School and High School students who

want to improve their reading, writing and math skills so that they are more successful on the ISTEP+ test. Summer School will begin July 9 and end on July 20. Parents will be responsible for transportation. Students will go home on the weekend. In addition, the Summer in the Skies Program will be offered from July 9 through August 3, 2001. Students will study aviation and include trips to the Smithsonian in Washington, DC and the US Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio. Summer Student Employment will also be offered for students residing in central Indiana. Students, who will be 16 years or older by May 15, 2001, can work part-time or full-time in jobs located near their homes with support from ISD staff. Students and their parents will be responsible for transportation to and from their job. **Students and their parents, who are interested in any of the Summer School Programs, must complete the application in the brochure and return it to Principal Kovatch by Monday, April 30, 2001. That is the deadline to apply for any of these summer programs.**

6th, 7th & 8th Graders – You are invited to participate in the 2001 Writing Contest sponsored by the Sisters of the Phi Kappa Zeta Sorority at Gallaudet University. The theme is *"Utopia for Deaf People in the 21st Century and How You can Help Create That Utopia"*. Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Graders can win \$150 (1st Place), \$100 (2nd Place) or \$50 (3rd Place) by writing a creative story that describes the theme. The story must be 1,000 words or less, typed and double-spaced with no artwork. Poetry is eligible for the contest. Your story must be submitted by April 13, 2001. Please see your language arts teacher in Middle School for more details. Use your creativity to win a prize!

Visitors - Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School 2nd graders will be touring with Donna Stutler this morning starting at 9:15. They will visit Raney Hall, Caskey Gym and Elementary School. Please extend a warm ISD welcome to this group.

ISD Partners with the Indianapolis Star - The *Indianapolis Star* has a community web page of which ISD has recently joined. This website offers schools a chance to publish their information on the Internet for free. ISD is now a part of this website. The web address is www.starnews.com/community. Go to the education category, click the Indiana School for the Deaf to view our page. If you would like to advertise a special event using this page, please contact Donna Stutler.

Hungry? - Donuts for sale - 50 cents each. *When?* 7:00 to 7:55 a.m. *Where?* Brown Cafeteria and in the ASL lab all day. The Class of 2004 will be selling donuts every morning in March. Thank you for your support!

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American Sign Language (ASL), for example, has a grammar and vocabulary distinct from English, just as Japanese Sign Language is distinct from spoken Japanese. The little-known history of the American Deaf community parallels the experiences and struggles of other minority groups. Deaf Americans have formed local, state, and national organizations, established newspapers and magazines, founded schools, gathered in churches where ASL was the language of song and sermon alike, and organized politically to protect and promote their interests. The great majority of Deaf people have found not just their friends but also their spouses within the Deaf community.

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Fruit Juice Bars*

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Thursday, March 15, 2001

Luck is always more abundant the harder you work. – The Cub's Little Book of Wisdom

FORMATION OF A DEAF COMMUNITY

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Tomorrow

*Contact Scotty Zwicker in Room 7209 (Vocational)
for an application and information.*

Upcoming Activity Periods & Convocations (For the Remainder of the School Year) -

March 28th 8:45 - Activity Period - 8th Grade Play "Eyeth" for HS/MS Students & Staff

April 19th 2:00 - Generation 2001 Convocation for HS/MS Students and Staff in the Caskey Gymnasium

April 25th 8:45 - Activity Period - Varsity Football Call Out

8th grade - High School meet in the Vocational Conference Room (opposite half of the
Photography IIb)

May 2nd 8:45 - Activity Period - HS Play "The Cure" for HS/MS Staff and Students

Kudos to Our Athletic Trainer - This month is the National Athletic Training Month to recognize the National Athletic Trainers' Association and licensed athletic trainers. Please take time to show your appreciation to Richie Crock for all of his years of experience and dedication to our athletes. **RICHIE, WE 'RE LUCKY TO HAVE YOU HERE!!!! MANY THANKS!!!!!!**

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HS - Beth Fields Suzanne Bono

Staff Working Off Campus

Shannon Stafford and Donna Stutler are attending a morning workshop for Teachers of the Hearing Impaired sponsored by PATINS. They will also staff a booth in the afternoon and present information about ISD's services in the Outreach Department and Assessment Center.

Staff Absences

Preschool	Dave Tester (Linda Krieger will sub.)
	Cami Cass
Elementary	Heidi Morris (Jill Lestina will sub.)
	Mike Jackson (Kim Galagan will sub.)
	Brenda Alkhatib
	Laura Gaalema (Late)
Middle School	Ruth Asher-Lynch (Late)
High School	Linda Lloyd
	Rusty Crace (Leaving at 11:30)
Principal's Office	
Outreach	Paula Kay Reum

ISD Daily Bulletin

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Friday, March 16, 2001

Good humor is one of the best articles of dress one can wear in society. – William Makepeace Thackeray

Preparation for the Workplace

Schools for deaf students were among the first in the nation to offer vocational training in addition to core academic courses. Like other Americans at the time, most deaf people went into what we today call "blue collar" occupations. Many schools offered such courses as printing, shoemaking, woodworking, dressmaking, cooking, and tailoring, giving their graduates a competitive advantage in the world of work.

As early as 1837, deaf people began establishing periodicals to report local and national news of interest to the Deaf community. Although some—such as the *Silent World* in Washington, D.C.—were independent newspapers, many were produced in school print shops. Schools exchanged papers with each other, creating an informal network known as the "little paper family" which reinforced a sense of national community. Some, such as the New Jersey school's *Silent Worker*, delivered news from national and international correspondents to subscribers across the country.

Week's Wrap-Up

by Principal Kovatch

This week, the senior class received a letter of regret from ISD alumni, Carl Pramuck, expressing his inability to be the graduation speaker at the commencement ceremony. It seems that he has a conflict since his cohort group for his doctorate studies is meeting that same weekend, and he must attend those class meetings. He went on to say that when he was a student at ISD, he set the goal to earn a Ph.D. He soon will achieve that goal. I reflected on his e-mail and thought that his message of regret could be one of the most important messages they receive as senior..."Set your goals high and then work hard to achieve them." I'm sure that "Dr. Pramuck" will speak at some ISD function in the future.

Thanks to all of the educational staff for the smooth fire drills on Thursday morning, especially for all of the student rosters, emergency kits, and closed doors! We improve with each drill. April and May drills will be the best yet!

There has been some discussion among staff members concerning the DEAF NETWORK presentation (Greater Indianapolis Deaf Club, March 17, 7:00 p.m.) by Elizabeth Beldon entitled, "SICK-ME-YOU Hearing People." Elizabeth was contacted and explained that the presentation and accompanying title are not meant to offend anyone. The presentation will be a review of the ironic and humorous experiences she has had "out in the world." People, who have seen this presentation, said that it was funny, poignant and not at all offensive. In addition, the Administrative Team will review the school's policy on posting flyers for outside organizations.

Good luck to high school student, Thomas Barnett, in the finals of Project XL this Saturday.

4th Annual Alumni/Staff vs. Boys/Girls Varsity Nets Money for Upcoming WGA in Rome

Two spirited games were played in the Caskey Gym last night with proceeds going to the Rome WGD this summer. In the opener the women alumni and staff were out-gunned by the Girls Varsity Team 55-41. The SOPH-COMBO of Paulone, Hossler and Richie put together 42 points to overwhelm the spirited play of the staff and alumni cagers. Melissa Buterbaugh and Jojan Jeter kept the boards clean while Valerie Sharer, Cherish Lewis, Candice Lusenby, April Young, Dorothea Williams and Annalee Laird dosed out tight defense, razzle-dazzle and fast breaks. Carissa Zmijewski, Ruth Asher-Lynch, Lori Kiel, Amanda Huser and Aimee Bippus led the attack for the alumni/staff team. The evening was filled with Asher-Lynch battling Buterbaugh and Jeter, Zmijewski running the offense and Huser/Bippus eyeing threes. Kiel applied a punishing defense whenever possible. The deep bench included Brenda Mowl fighting for control of the paint, Teri Motter and Molly Peters trying to psych-out their opponents, Dawn Walker going low and Keri Watkins and Linda McKay applying court supervision!

The boys' game was a seesaw event with neither team able to open a wide lead over the other. After a short burst in the 1st Quarter (A/S 12 - V2), the players settled in for a physical battle. Up at the half (35-32), the Varsity was cautiously confident. The A/S core of Brian Bippus, David Catt, Curtis Sigafoose, Derrick DuBois and Daric Brye along with the fresh legs supplied by Rodney Lewis, Justin Wilson and David Webster had a hard time containing Robert Haney who fouled out in the 4th Quarter with 32 points. Jim "Big Iron" Hall was a monster rebounder and hit some key jumpers. Onye Davis and Kevin Webster were inside and outside threats, while Jeff Stotts, Bobby Polstra and Anthony Mowl kept the A/S team moving by trying to block their 3-point attempts. Will Dickman provided key baskets and a calming effect in the overtime period. Andy Barker was a spark plug off the bench.

A last second 3-point attempt by Bippus went halfway down, rattled the rim, hit the backboard and bounced out to let the Varsity escape with a 72-70 overtime win. Coach Westhoelter's heart stopped for those last few seconds! The girls' record stands at Varsity - 1 and Alumni/Staff - 0. The boys' record now is Varsity - 1 and A/S 3.

A great time had by all. Thanks for supporting our staff/alumni going to Rome this summer!

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	M. Taylor	Assess
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	C. Miller	ACR

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Principal Graduates from Leadership School

(Reprinted from *Indianapolis Star*, on
Tuesday, March 13, 2001, Page B3)

Robert Kovatch, principal of the Indiana School for the Deaf, has graduated from the Indiana Principal Leadership Academy. The academy is an intensive, two-year professional development program that trains administrators to be strong leaders within their schools. It was established by the Indiana General Assembly in 1986 and is operated by the Indiana Department of Education.

Kovatch is among 50 participants in the 33rd graduating class. (Submitted by Gary Mowl)

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STUDENTS: Hands Alive Student Art Show – Today is the last day to turn in artwork for the Hands Alive Student Art Show. For information, contact Scotty Zwicker in the Vocational Building, Room 7209.

Visitors - A group from the Kokomo School District will be visiting ISD from 9:15-11:15. They will tour the campus and have discussions with Gary Mowl and Carolyn Pimentel. Please give this group a warm welcome this morning.

Deadline for Marketday – We need 10 more orders. Please, if you have one, go www.marketday.com and place the order. You will need to get a username and password. ISD is 16666. If you have already placed an order the pickup time is next Thursday in the MPR 4:15. Thanks, PTCO.

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DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE???? - You have the opportunity to make a difference in eliminating breast cancer by joining the ISD Team in the Race for the Cure. This race encourages participants to ask friends, co-workers and family for pledges to help eradicate breast cancer. The 5k Run and/or Walk race will be held on April 21 on the IUPUI campus starting at 9 a.m. Two years ago, we had 65 staff, Ball State participants and friends sign up to be a part of the ISD Team. We would like to top that number for the 2001 race. Help us meet our goal by signing up for the race as soon as possible. The registration for the race is \$18.00, and you will get a t-shirt with your registration. You can pick up a registration form from your Supervisor and/or Dean. Please return all **signed registration** forms and checks to Mary Alice Moon by **Tuesday, March 27, 2001**. She has a mailbox in Donna Stutler's office. The money you collect for the **pledges** does not have to be turned in until **Thursday, April 12. Race for the Cure!**

SRC Duty

HS – Ron Borron

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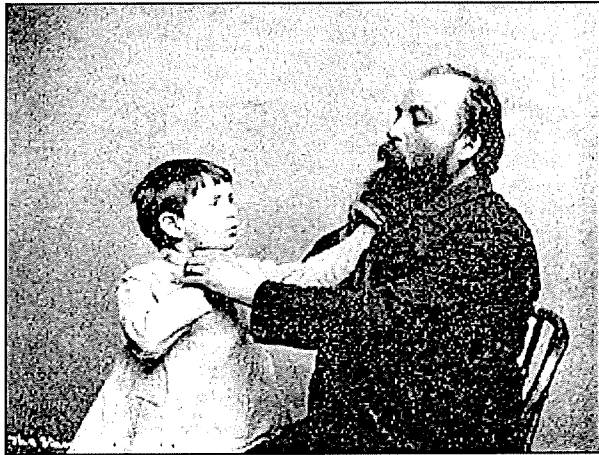
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Monday, March 19, 2001

Laughter is the shortest distance between two people. – Victor Borge

AN ORAL APPROACH (DEAF HISTORY CONTINUED)

With the Civil War and increasing levels of immigration, many Americans began to fear that diversity led to divisiveness. Some educators decried the "clannishness" of the Deaf community. Schools began to add lipreading and speech to the curriculum. Oral educators advocated eliminating sign language, likening the Deaf community to a community of immigrants, and suggesting that deaf people had become "foreigners among their own countrymen."



A speech lesson at the New York Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes.

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf



Speech and rhythm classes in the parlor of the McGowen Oral School in Chicago

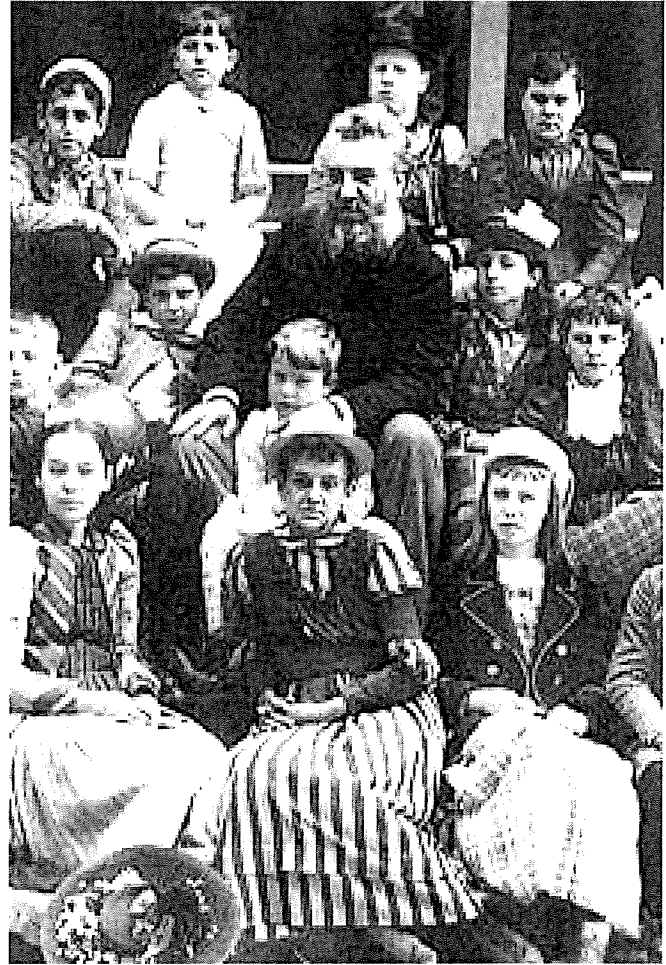
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A debate ensued between supporters of a "combined approach"—that is, using both signed and spoken language—and advocates of what was then called "pure oralism." By 1920, 80 percent of deaf students were taught in oral education programs, without sign language, and deaf teachers were reduced from 40% of the profession in the 1860s to less than 15%. Still, in most schools sign language retained a vigorous presence outside the classroom.

Organizations of deaf people, such as the National Association of the Deaf, rose to the defense of sign language, and argued that oral communication alone was inadequate for many deaf people.

In 1867, the Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes in New York and the Clarke Institution for Deaf-Mutes in Northampton, Massachusetts were started by proponents of oral education and began pioneering techniques for teaching by oral means alone. Clarke Institution (now CLARKE-School for the Deaf/Center for Oral Education) also stressed early education for young children when most other schools admitted students at 10 or 12 years of age. Methods of teaching speech, listening and speechreading developed at Clarke have been widely used in schools throughout the country.



Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone and one of the most effective proponents of oralism, in 1872 opened a school in Boston to train teachers of deaf children. He and his father before him had spent their lives studying the physiology of speech. For Bell, "to ask the value of speech is like asking the value of life."

He described sign language as "essentially a foreign language" and believed that "in an English speaking country like the United States, the English language, and the English language alone, should be used as the means of communication and instruction." In 1890, Bell founded the American Association to Promote the Teaching of Speech to the Deaf, Inc., now known as the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf.

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PROJECT XL FINALIST

ISD Senior, Thomas Barnett, was one of the ten state finalists in the annual Project XL competition last Saturday at the University of Indianapolis. The Farm Bureau Insurance Company sponsored the competition. Bob Gregory, former Channel 13 Weatherman, was the master of ceremonies. Students from all over Indiana competed as finalists in six categories: writing, 3-dimensional art, performance, video art, 2-dimensional art and music.

Thomas danced to his interpretation of the song, "I Believe I Can Fly." Afterwards, the judges asked the performers several questions. Thomas's answers included these statements: "My performance includes gestures, facial expressions and body language." "ASL is a beautiful language." "The song, "I Believe I Can Fly" is a message for all of mankind – whether in school, sports or life. The powerful and strong song and words inspire all people – Deaf and or hearing."

Congratulations to Thomas for being one of the state's top finalists. Top honors were won by students from Broad Ripple and Hamilton Southeastern High Schools.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

By Margaret Hill (From: **Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul II**)

The six teenagers sank onto their beanbags in the group counseling room. Today there was none of the usual raucous punching and good-natured exchange of insults. I knew they didn't want to be at school this week any more than I, their counselor, did. For three days they had received counseling, comfort, sympathy, and lectures. Ministers and psychologists had come to the school at a time when the kids' world seemed to have ended. It had indeed ended for four of their schoolmates, who had died in a car accident on the way home from a keg party in celebration of graduation.

What was there left for me to say? Only that these six would go on living, barring a tragedy like this one – a tragedy that didn't have to happen. My mind searched for words to fill the silence. Finally I said, "I remember a day when I was about your age, seeing a fancy Levi's jacket and jodhpurs in a store window." "I simply couldn't live without that outfit. I went into the store, found the garments in my size, and bought them without asking how much they cost. I practically had a heart attack when the clerk told me the price. There went all the spending money I had saved. In fact, I had to go home and rob my piggy bank and then go back to the store for my purchase."

At that point in my story, I paused long enough to note that the group members were staring at me with questioning eyes. After all, what did this have to do with their grief? So I babbled on. "Was the outfit worth that much? No way, I concluded during the following months, when I had to do without several things I needed or wanted, including a class ring." My counselees continued to look at me with so-what? expressions. "I did learn from that experience," I said finally. "I learned to ask, 'What does it cost?' before buying." "During the years following, I've learned that looking at price tags is a good idea when it comes to actions, also." I told them about a time when I went on a hike with friends without telling our parents where we would be. The price was heavy. We got lost, and it was many terrifying hours before we straggled back to town to face our frantic parents and the drastic punishments they decided we deserve.

Now it was the kids' turn to talk, and they did, relating some of the times when their bad judgment had not been worth the cost of the consequences. I gently reminded the students at this point that their friends' graduation celebration had cost too much. I mentioned the frequency of teen tragedies, many involving alcohol and other drugs. Then I read them parts of an editorial about an accident that had occurred a few months earlier. The article had been written by the town's chief of police:

Close to a thousand people were there that day, all sitting in front of a smooth casket topped with flowers and a high school letter jacket. Jason was president of the senior class, a star athlete, a popular friend to hundreds, the only son of successful parents, but he drove into the side of a fast-moving freight train at the city square on a beautiful Sunday Afternoon and was killed instantly. He

was 18 year old. And he was drunk. You never get accustomed to or forget the horror on the faces of parents when you break the news to them that their child is forever gone from this earth.

We know there will be both youth and parents who don't like our enforcement posture. There will be verbal and maybe physical abuse against the officers. Some parents will complain about our enforcement of under-age drinking laws. But we can live with that a lot easier than telling parents that their son or daughter has been killed. Four of the six students were crying when I finished reading the editorial. Crying for Jason, for their dead schoolmates and their families, for their own loss.

Then we talked about the four friends they had just lost. "Can any good come out of our tragedy?" I asked. It was Mindy, the shyest member of the group, who suggested, "Maybe we could make a pledge or something." Ordinarily, the three boys in the group would probably have ridiculed the idea, but this day was different. "Hey!" Jonathan said. "Not a bad idea." "Something like pretending there's a price tag on things grown-ups think we shouldn't do, then deciding if we're ready to take the chance anyway," Laurel added. Paul said, "We can't know for sure what the price would be. Maybe nothing bad will happen even if we take the risk." "That's a point," I admitted. "Suppose instead of 'How much will it cost?' we ask ourselves, 'How much might it cost?' Then we'd at least look at the possible outcomes." "I'll buy that," Kent said.

A week ago, these kids would have shrugged off such suggestions, but today – well, today they weren't the same people they had been last week.

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

9:00	R. Campbell	Testing
	K. Burnett	HE
	W. Spurlock	Assess
10:00	J. Hall	HE
	S. Chapin	ACE
11:30	J. Pfaff	ACR
1:00	H. Peters	CC
2:30	J. Dean	CC
3:30	D. Rohler	ACR
3:45	First day for Middle School Track practice in the KRC (Coaches Sigafoose and Hancock)	

TODAY'S MENU

Lunch

Beef & Noodles
Chicken & Dumplings*
Green Beans
Applesauce

Dinner

Chicken Nuggets
Oven Brownd Potatoes
Vegetable Surprise
Slaw
Pineapple

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ISD Daily Bulletin

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Tuesday, March 20, 2001

The human race has only one really effective weapon, and that is laughter. – Mark Twain

World Wars I & II and the Deaf Community

During World Wars I and II, male industrial workers left their jobs for the military created job opportunities for women and minorities including deaf people. In those years, deaf workers established impressive work records and made significant contributions to America's war-time efforts. Many of the Deaf schools were converted to military camps and used to train soldiers. The attached picture shows Deaf students at the New York School for the Deaf in Fanwood participating in military drill exercises.

The uniform to the right was worn by cadets at the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf. The grounds of the Indiana School for the Deaf were used to train soldiers in World War I. More than 1800 men received training at ISD during the 1918-19 school year after the school was closed on April 30, 1918. Deaf students were provided a correspondence course while the school was closed. Approximately 228 pupils took part in these courses with 184 completing the whole course. (From the *Susquicentennial 1843-1994*.)

The Goodyear Rubber production facilities in Akron, Ohio and other war industries recruited large numbers of deaf employees. Deaf people, who came to Akron, created a highly visible and active community. Great pride was taken in the semi-professional football team (the "Goodyear Silents"). The local press covered deaf community news and events. A wide array of social events was sponsored by the local Deaf club.

(Taken from <http://depts.gallaudet.edu/deafeyes>)

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8:30	T. Webster	Testing
	E. Hossler	ACR
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	A. Barker	HE
10:00	C. Woodward	HE
	D. Elkins	CC
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	C. B-Schwanke	Assess
	S. Margolis	CC
2:30	M. Meyer	ACR
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Today's Menu

Lunch

Dinner

Breakfast

Skipper's Treat
Baked Cod*
Salisbury Steak*
Macaroni & Cheese
Seasoned Spinach
Cookies & Ice Cream

Western Dinner
Broccoli
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Wednesday, March 21, 2001

Good judgment comes from experience, and experience – well, that comes from poor judgment. – Cousin Woodman

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- 4:30 Boys & Girls Track against Lutheran and White at Lutheran

Today's Menu

Lunch

Chicken Fajitas
Cheese & Herb Tortellini*
Spanish Rice
Strawberry Sundae

Dinner

Beanie Wienie
Seasoned Peas
Salad
Peaches

Breakfast

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Poached Eggs
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Staff Absences

Preschool	Patricia Collins (Linda Krieger will sub.)
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	Dawn Walker (Coming in at 11:00)
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	Sondra Gullion
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INTRA-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: All ISD Staff
From: George M. Stailey, Superintendent
Date: February 28, 2001
Re: Plan for Employment 2001 - 2002

As routine procedure and to assist in planning for the 2001 - 2002 school year, please complete this form and return it to the Superintendent's Office by Friday, March 23, 2001

- ☐ Yes, I am planning to return to ISD for the 2001-2002 school year.
- ☐ No I am not returning to ISD for the 2001-2002 school year.
- ☐ I am not certain at this time. However, I will notify the Superintendent's Office by _____.

FOR EDUCATIONAL STAFF ONLY

Please list your choice of work area for the 2001-2002 school year. The Educational Team and Administration Team will try to honor your first choice.

1. _____

2. _____

Please list the activities you would like to sponsor or coach:

1. _____

2. _____

Signature

Date

The Indiana School for the Deaf Community promotes academic and social excellence for Deaf and Hard of Hearing students through a Bilingual/Bicultural environment.

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Teaching is not a lost art, but the regard for is a lost tradition. - Jacques Barzun

Deaf Clubs

In most towns and cities, Deaf people established clubs that became the centers for social life. In larger cities the members might own their own building. In smaller towns rented rooms over a downtown store often had to suffice.

The "Deaf club" was not only a gathering place but also hosted social events as varied as traveling Deaf comedians and other entertainers. Films by Deaf filmmakers like *Dog Trouble* were shown in Deaf clubs across the country. Notice the schedule of screenings at different Deaf clubs throughout the Midwest.

Deaf clubs also featured captioned films, lectures, card games, dramatic performances, story telling, and holiday parties, and the sponsor for frequent athletic events and group outings. Above, you see the 1947 May Dance and Get -Together of the Philadelphia and Washington, DC Silent Clubs. (From the Archives of the National Black Deaf Advocates)

The early teletype machines, sometimes available at Deaf clubs, were originally used by the Western Union to send teletypes. A Deaf man invented this technology.

(You can view the pictures at <http://depts/gallaudet.edu/deafeyes/>)

Today's Activities

9:00	L. Grandt	HE
	K. McDaniels	Testing
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10:00	M. Arnold	ACR
	Sharon Mealka, Cami Cass and Cynthia Reynold's classes will go to lunch at Chuck E. Cheese.	
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1:00	J. Russell	ACR
1:30	C. Vaughn	HE
3:15	K. Fetzner	ACR

Today's Menu

Lunch

Glazed Ham
Stuffed Green Pepper*
Cheese Topped Potatoes
Fresh Cooked Carrots

Dinner

BBQ Pork Chop
Mashed Potatoes
Brussel Sprouts
Pears

**Wear Your School Colors
Tomorrow!!!**

To Support Our

Academic Bowl Team

**They travel to Ohio this
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GO, TEAM!!!!

Orange Juice

Cereal
Pancakes
Sausage

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Sports Update

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Discus: Paulone – 1st and Lewis - 2nd
High Jump: Valerie Sharer-1st
Long Jump: Sharer - 2nd and Erica Hossler - 4th
100: Dorothea Williams – 1st^t and Jorjan Jeter - 4th
1600: Rachel Anderson-2nd and Ellen O'Hara - 3rd
400 Relays: Williams, Hossler, Jeter & Sharer - 1st
300 Low Hurdles: Elsie Ritchie - 1st
800: Natasha Greenler - 2nd and O'Hara – 3rd
200: Williams-1st and Jeter - 3rd

2001 High School Boys Track News – Our Boys Varsity ran against Lutheran and Whites at Lutheran. The final score was ISD - 73, Lutheran - 28 and White - 25. Winning first place were:

Mike Muckenfuss in the Shot Put
Onye Davis in the Discus,
Tim Marshall in High Hurdles and 300 Hurdles,
Flave Dupree in 100 Dash
Kevin Webster in 400 Dash and 200 Dash,
Andy Barker in 1600 Run
Enzo Hicks in the High Jump
3200 Relay Squad of Enzo Hicks, Andy Choate, Nick Curtin and Charles Young
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Our current record is 2 – 0.

Visitors – A Noblesville family will visit Preschool and join a Nursery School class this morning. Please give them an ISD welcome.

Happenings at BSU - The University is sponsoring Deaf Awareness Week beginning on March 26. The following is a list of activities.

Monday, March 26 in the Student Center Ballroom

7PM - 8PM Teaching ASL to Elementary students

8PM - 9PM learning to communicate with the Deaf for College students and more!

Tuesday, March 27 in the Student Center Ballroom

7PM - 8PM Silent Dinner! (Dinner is free to all Ball State students that will participate in silence. Sign up required by Friday March 23 and ID for registration at door needed. For all non- BSU students, dinner price is \$10.95-sign up still required. Sign-up by contacting jtdecker@bsu.edu with this info: Name Ball State or non-

Ball State Dinner is Italian Buffet and vegetarian lasagna is available.
8PM - Louise Fitzpatrick (Speaker) Deaf Culture and her travels to France
9PM - Jody Crease (Speaker) Careers in ASL
Wednesday, March 28 in the Student Center Cardinal Hall B
7PM - 8PM Absolutnacy - Local comedy troupe will be acting with some challenge
Sign language interpreters will be provided.
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Thursday, March 29 in the Cooper Science Building Room 188
7 PM - 8PM Jerry Thixton Deaf Awareness in Today's Society
Friday, March 30 in the Student Center Tally
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Drinks will be supplied.

** AT all events, there will be displays of Famous Deaf people.

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Technologies for the Deaf

The "Information Age" of the late twentieth century introduced an explosion of new technologies profoundly influencing the lives of deaf people. Closed captioning on TV and video, TTYs and national telephone relay services, hearing aids, flashing doorbells, bed-vibrating and strobe-light alarm clocks, FAX machines and e-mail, have helped to make daily activities more accessible to deaf people.

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(Pictures can be found at <http://dept.gallaudet.edu/deafeyes/>)

Today's Activities

8:30 Kindergarten will go to St. Francis South
Hospital for a fieldtrip until 12:00.
9:00 G. McCallum HE
D. Johnson ABR
10:00 M. Katter ACR
11:35 High School students and staff will eat followed
by the Hands Alive performance.
1:00 M. Melchi ACR
S. Luttrell ACR
1:30 M. Campbell HE
2:30 L. McClelland ACR
K. Jones ACR

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Lunch
Pizza
Cheese Manicotti*
Seasoned Corn
Salad
Nachos*
Cookies

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 7PM - 8PM Teaching ASL to Elementary students
 8PM - 9PM learning to communicate with the Deaf for College students and more!

Tuesday, March 27 in the Student Center Ballroom
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 8PM - Louise Fitzpatrick (Speaker) Deaf Culture and her travels to France
 9PM - Jody Crease (Speaker) Careers in ASL

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 7PM - 8PM Absolutnacy - Local comedy troupe will be acting with some challenge
 Sign language interpreters will be provided.
 8PM - 9PM Chris Green (Keynote Speaker)- ASL songs and interpretation!

Thursday, March 29 in the Cooper Science Building Room 188
 7 PM - 8PM Jerry Thixton Deaf Awareness in Today's Society

Friday, March 30 in the Student Center Tally
 7 PM - We will be showing the movie "Mr. Holland's Opus" and enjoying it with closed-captioning on a big screen TV. Please come and bring a bag of popcorn. Drinks will be supplied.

** AT all events, there will be displays of Famous Deaf people.

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Pamela Gatto is at a workshop until 12:30 (Jill Lestina will sub.)

Ruth Asher-Lynch will be at the Deaf/Blind Workshop this morning and in a case conferences this afternoon.

Mary Kovatch will be leaving with the students for the Academic Bowl.

Staff Absences

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Elementary	Mike Jackson (Kim Galagan will sub.) Andres Cisneros
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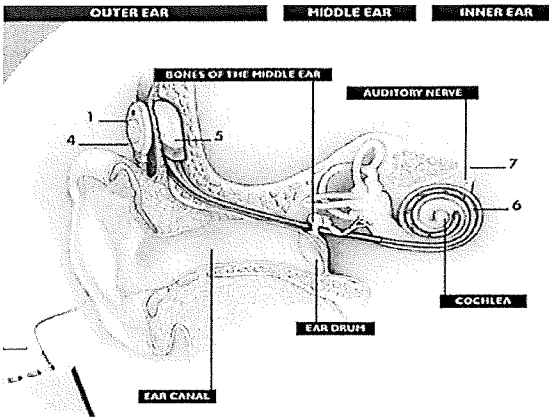
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When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one, which has opened for us. – Helen Keller

Are Deaf People....?

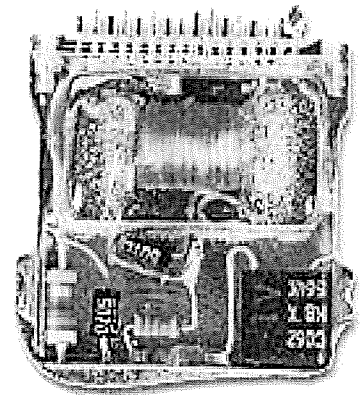


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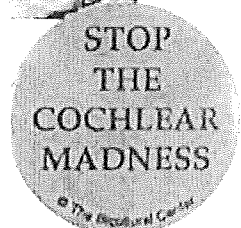
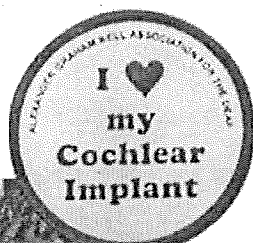
Not all technological developments are universally accepted. The cochlear implant, for example, has inspired both strong support and vehement opposition. As early as 1979, the University of California-San Francisco developed this single-channel engineering prototype with an internal receiver, and multiple electrodes.

Generally hailed as a boon for people who have lost their hearing, the use of cochlear implants in children has been controversial. While the conflict is in part between those who view deafness as a disability, and those who see it as a valued cultural identity, at the core of the debate are disagreements over the relative risks, benefits, and effectiveness.



There are more than one hundred eighty (180) hospitals and clinics that provide cochlear implants in the United State and Canada. It's big business! Manufacturers like Clarion spend tremendous amounts of money on research and advertisements to convince governmental sources like the FDA and consumers like parents that their product is beneficial. Just look at the following quotation from Clarion's website.

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Does the "hearing health profession" need "powerful tools to manage children and adults with severe and profound hearing loss?"

Fireballs – Special applause to Debbie Fetzner who made the Hands Alive Talent Show a roaring success! Also to Donna Stutler for the snazzy reception afterwards! Be sure to check last Saturday's Indianapolis Star newspaper for full-color/article coverage.

Junior, Anthony Mowl, and Sophomores Pia Marie Paulone and Drew Robarge, who represented ISD last weekend in the Gallaudet University, sponsored Midwest Schools for the Deaf Academic Bowl contest, hosted by the Ohio School for the Deaf. ISD placed second out of twelve schools.

Today's Activities

8:30	M. Dille	ACR
9:00	S. Krieger	HE/HAC
9:00	W. Russell	Assess-3
10:00	S. Axell	CC
10:00	O. Davis	HE/E
10:00	K. Crohn	ACR2
1:00	K. Tauberschmidt	HE
1:00	L. Porter	ACR2
2:30	K. Blair	ACR
2:30	T. Williamson	ACR

Today's Menu

Lunch	Dinner	Breakfast
Pizza	Fish Nuggets	Orange Juice
Veal Parmesean	Tartar Sauce	Dry or Ckd. Cereal
Mixed Vegetables	Baked Potato	Waffles/Syrup
Salad	Sour Cream	Bacon
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These three rookies played three Deaf Schools and three Mainstream programs to get into the championship round, seeded 1st in their pool. Although they lost the championship to Hersey, a team of seniors they beaten by 19 points earlier in the day, they played so well and impressed everyone who watched.

ISD was fortunate to have a slew of fans that traveled three hours to cheer us on. Thanks to all who made the effort to support us.

With a young, talented team, ISD should be a top contender next year. – Coaches Mary Kovatch & Chuck Daube.

For Your Information – Staff members arrived last Friday morning to find their office/classroom doors "sealed shut" with a strip of masking tape. That was a result of a building evacuation/search that took place between 3:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. after a bomb threat had been discovered. The evacuation and search went very smoothly and the "all clear" signal was soon reinstated. Thanks to the staff that helped in the process.

Visitors Today –

Molly Peters and Diane Jones will be giving a tour to Jason and Mary Jo Pickering and their Deaf son Justin who is 6 months old. His grandparents Mary Kay and Herb Pickering, will be accompanying them. The schedule is: Arrival 9:00 am; Visit PIP and Preschool; Visit the rest of campus; and Lunch on campus. Please welcome them!

Paula Van Winkle, 1st Grade teacher from the Maryland School for the Deaf, will be visiting ISD. She will be accompanied by Jeanne Peters. The schedule is: Arrival at 10 am; Observe Classes: 1st, 2nd and ASL class; Meet with Curriculum Director; Visit the ASL Lab; and Lunch on campus. Please give them a warm ISD welcome!

Mayor's Advisory Council on Disability Announces - Disability Awareness Day in Indianapolis, Thursday, March 29, 2001. The general public is invited to join us from 10:30 to 1:30 at the Indianapolis Arts garden above the intersection of Washington and Illinois Streets downtown. Artistic exhibits will be displayed featuring the talented students of

Artistic Ability, a partnership between The Indianapolis Art Center, St. Vincent New Hope and the East Central Province of Daughters of Charity, Inc. The Indy Singers will perform at 12:00 noon. The Awards Celebration Program begins at 12:45 p.m. The keynote speaker is Mayor Bart Peterson. Exhibit tables will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sign interpretation will be provided. For further information about the event in general, reasonable accommodations or accessibility please contact Jennifer Webster at jweb@iquest.net or call, 876-3538 V

Sports Schedules Changes

The HS Boys and Girls Track meet for April 19 has been moved back to April 1. The meet with Speedway HS starts at 4:30pm.

Schedule for Tomorrow's Visitors from Japan

- 9:00 Arrive and Overview with George Stailey, Superintendent
- 9:30 Tour and Visit of the Assessment Center
- 10:00 Tour and Visit of Preschool
- 10:30 Tour and Visit of Elementary
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- 11:30 Lunch in Brown Cafe
- 12:30 Tour and Visit of Vocational Building Programs (Science, Multi-Media Lab, etc...)
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Deadline to be a part of the ISD Team is March 27.

Send your application to Mary Alice Moon in Donna Stutler's office.

SIGN UP NOW!!!!

It's Real.

it's SMOTHERING

It is an unbearable nothingness

IT'S DEPRESSION.

It has a biological explanation.
It Strikes 1 in 10 Americans

It injects you with negativity.

It pulls you away from
the world you once knew

IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THIS

It's onset can be so subtle you don't notice it.

IT CAN KILL YOU IF YOU DON'T RECOGNIZE IT.

...treatment for it is very successful

#1 Cause of Suicide

UNTREATED DEPRESSION

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Sharon Mealka

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Lou Ott

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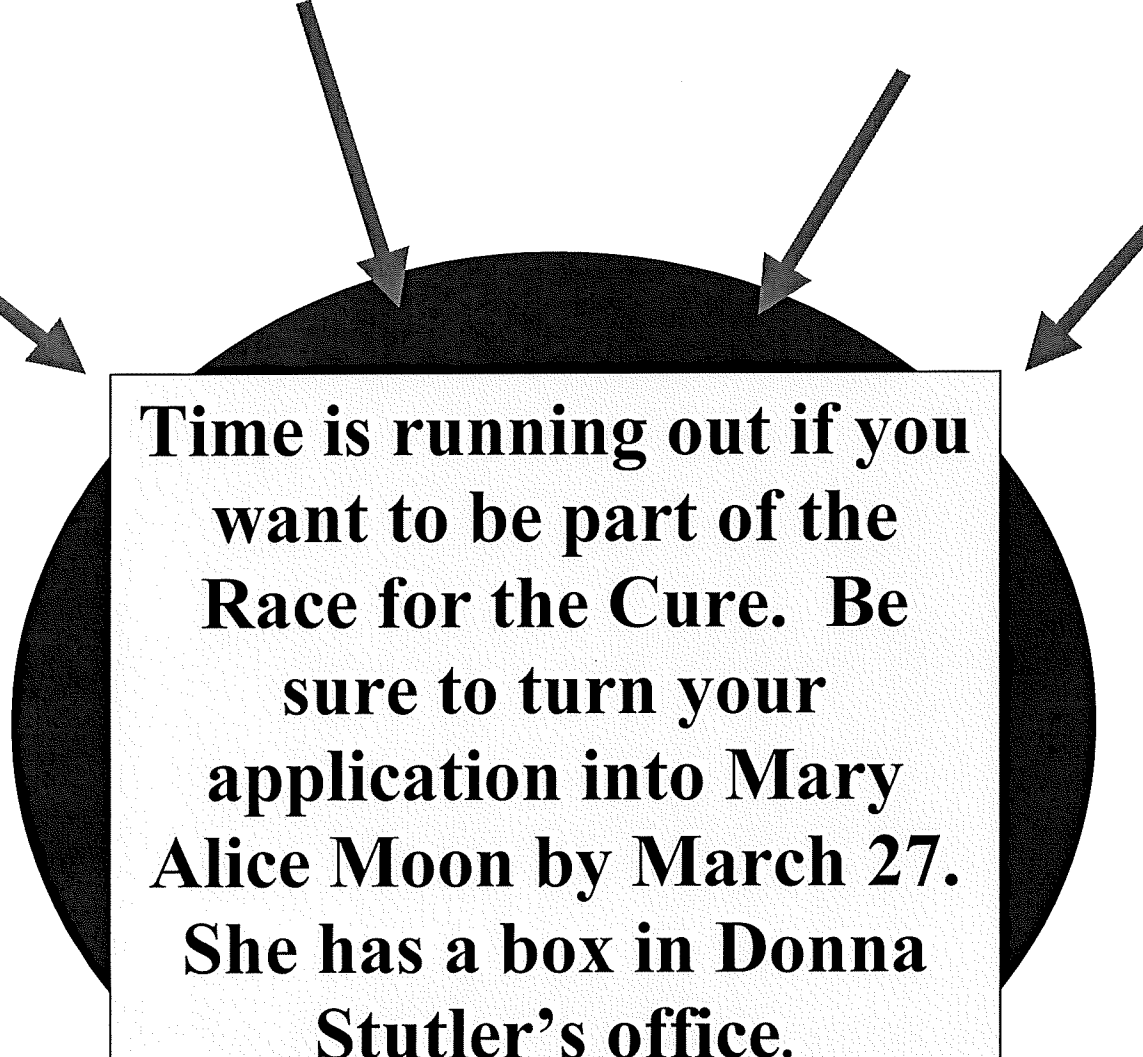
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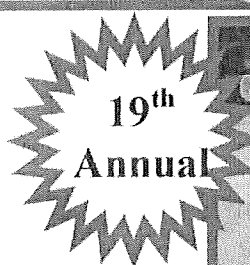
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WGD

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1924

The first "World Games for the Deaf" was held in Paris, France on August 10th to 17th, with six nations - Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, Great Britain, Holland, and Poland - participating in the competitions in Athletics, Cycling, Football (Soccer), Shooting and Swimming. -- CISS Handbook 1975-85

1928

The Second "World Games for the Deaf" was held in Amsterdam, Netherlands on August 18th to 26th. -- CISS Handbook 1975-85

1931

3rd World Games for the Deaf was held in Nurnberg, Germany on August 19th to 23rd, 1931.

1935

4th International Games for the Deaf was hosted in London, England, on August 17th to 24th, 1935.

1939

5th International Games for the Deaf took place at Stockholm on August 24th to 27th, 1939.

1949

The first International Winter Silent Games was held in Seefeld on January 26th to 30th with 33 athletes from five nations.

PTCO is pleased to announce the new slate of officers for 2001-2002!

Co-Presidents: Rick Ogan and Bea Pfaff

Vice President: John Whited Assistant Vice President: Wendy Brimmer

Secretary: Joanie Jones

Treasurer: John Polstra

PAC Representative Member-at-Large: Tami Hossler

(3) Parent Members-at-Large: Beth Slaven, Kelly Phillips, and Barb Gantt

Teacher Member-at-Large: Leithia Whited

Counselor Member-at-Large: (to be announced)

****If you are interested in learning more about PTCO and would consider shadowing any of the positions on the Board to determine if you might want to serve in the future, please list the position and your name:***_____

“Our Future Depends on Volunteers”

We do need parents and staff to volunteer for specific PTCO events and activities. Most of the items listed only require a few hours of your time. Please put your name and phone next to the item you are interested in volunteering for:

1. Teacher/Staff Appreciation Breakfast (August 10th)_____
2. Ice Cream Social (Deaf Heritage Week/1 Lunch Hour) _____
3. PTCO Day (first Sunday in May)_____
- _____ help with children games _____ help with decorations
- _____ help with community booths _____ help as needed
- _____ help with raffles
4. Parent Advisory Counselor Parent Leader (run a meeting once a month for your student's department/Elementary, Preschool, MS/HS)_____
5. PTCO Newsletter (publish 3 times a year)_____
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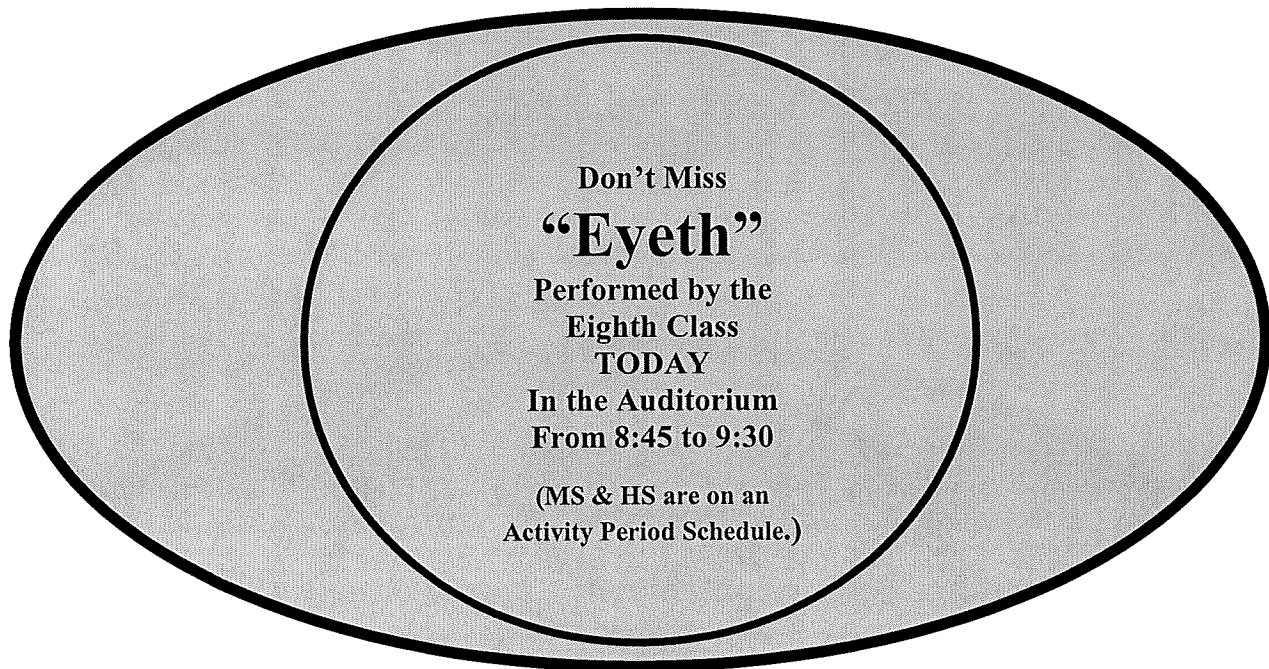
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Wednesday, March 28, 2001

The most wasted day of all is that during which we have not laughed. – Sebastian R.N. Chamfort



Today's Activities

1:45	W. Lee	CC
2:30	Am. Phillips	CC
3:15	Au. Phillips	ACR

Playground Committee Meeting in MPR (Everyone is welcome.)

Today's Menu

Lunch

Tacos
Chicken Grill Fettucini*
Corn
Cookies

Dinner

Cheeseburger
Onion Rings
Applesauce

Breakfast

Pineapple Juice
Cereal
Scrambled Eggs*
Hard Cooked Eggs
Bacon
Crispy Hash Browns
Danish

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Sports Update

2001 Indiana Deaf School High School Girls Track News: (March 27, 2001-2nd meet of the season) We won the dual meet beating Lutheran High School by the score of 63 to 32. Individual winners were:

Shot: Lewis-1st, Paulone-2 nd	Discus: Paulone-1st, Lewis-2nd;
High Jump: Sharer-1st, Ritichie-2nd	Long Jump: Sharer-2nd, Hossler-3rd;
3200 Relay: Anderson, Ritichie, Sturgens, and O'Hara-1st; 100: Williams-1st;	
1600: O'Hara-1st; 400 Relay: Williams, Hossler, Jeters, and Sharer-1st;	
400: Anderson-3rd; 300	Low Hurdles: Ritichie-1st;
800: Sturgens-2nd; 200: Williams-1st, Jeters-3rd.	

2001 Indiana Deaf School High School Girls Track News: It was a cold day. Hats off to the boys and girls braved the cold. Onye Davis got first place in the discus with a PR of 132'8". Michael Muckenfuss got fourth place in the shot. Kevin Webster got third place in the high jump and the 400 m Dash. Andy Barker ran a gritty race in the distance getting third in 3200 m Run and third in 1600 m Run. Tim Marshall got third in the 300 hurdles. The 4 x 1 relay team with Flave DuPree, Kevin Webster, Enzo Hicks and Onye Davis got third. Flave DuPree competed in Junior Varsity and got first place in 100 m Dash and second place in 200 m Dash. The schools we competed against were Cathedral, Roncalli and Lutheran.

GREAT JOB! - The Academic Bowl members (Drew Robarge, Pia Marie Paulone and Anthony Mowl) will be accompanied to lunch on Thursday, March 29, 2001, from 11:00 - 12:45 by Mr. Stailey, Mr. Kovatch, and Ms. Lloyd. This will be a celebration and recognition luncheon for their hard work!.

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Touring Today - Rose Wilson, a teacher from Ivy Tech, will be visiting ISD from 1:00-2:30. She will be bringing five students from her "Exceptionalities" class. Rose is also a First Steps provider. They will visit the PIP program at 1:00 and then tour the campus.

Silent Retreat - ICRID Invites Deaf and Hard of Hearing to the Annual Spring Retreat on March 30 and 31. This year, join us as we "Take a Safari into the Jungles of ASL." This is a unique opportunity providing participants an opportunity to be in a total ASL environment. On March 30th (Friday night), we invite the Deaf community to come and socialize with us. Activities planned for the evening are: a ritual through "no more spoken English", snacks, team-building activities, and story-time. Please come and enjoy this time with us! Please, no children. Lead Safari Guides are Lynn Frye, Janna Lippie & Bob Canty

Purdue Researchers - Dr. Ronnie Wilbur and Dr. Diane Brentari (Audiology and Speech Sciences) are working with Dr. Avinash Kak and Dr. Aleix Martinez from the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering on a National Science Foundation research grant entitled *An Integrated Linguistic-Computational Approach to Automatic Recognition of American Sign Language*. This project offers a novel approach to the problem of automatic recognition, and eventually translation of American Sign Language (ASL). The project is working to develop an ASL handshape recognition protocol. The procedure is designed so that linguistic information about ASL handshapes can be used to assist a computer to decide which handshape

it "sees". This will be used to integrate the recognition procedure as the front-end user-interface of an ASL-English machine translation device for signer-speaker interactions in practical settings (workplace, classrooms).

HS Teachers - Athletics has set up a grade monitoring system for students who have low grades in the 3rd Quarter. Each student has a form that needs to be filled out weekly by you as their teacher to monitor their grade and progress. Please help the student athlete with his or her weekly grading report and progress toward better grades. Thank you!! – Brian Bippus

Playground Committee Meeting – The committee will meet on Wednesday, March 28 at 3:15 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. Staff and parents are invited to this meeting. Representatives from three playground equipment companies will be at the meeting to explain their design suggestions for the playground between Raney and Willard Halls. An architecture firm will also be represented to explain possible services for the area. Everyone is invited to ask questions, and refreshments will be served. The Playground Committee will meet on Monday, April 9 at 3:15 to make final recommendations to the school for playground equipment purchases for the 2001-2002 school year. Diane Hazel Jones will facilitate both meetings. If you have questions, please contact Diana Battiste, Beth Slavens or Dan Stutler. Please come and share your ideas to make the area the best it can be for our children!

Opportunities

D.E.A.F. Network Presents "Deaf Culture, Our Way" by Tom Holcomb, Saturday, April 28, 2001 -- 7 to 9 P.M.
Greater Indianapolis Deaf Club, 1917 E. 46th Street in Indianapolis. Thomas K. Holcomb is currently affiliated with Ohlone College in Fremont, CA where he serves as Associate Professor in the area of Deaf Studies/Deaf Education. He attended Indiana School for the Deaf from '62-'68 (till 3rd grade). (His Deaf parents, Roy and Mabs Holcomb taught at ISD before Tom was born and during his childhood) Then to mainstreamed school in California from '68-'73, and went to MSSD in Washington, DC. until his graduation in 1977. His academic preparation includes a B.A. in Psychology from Gallaudet University and an M.S. in Career Development from the Rochester Institute of Technology. In addition, he earned PhD. in Education from the University of Rochester. Previously, he was a faculty member at San Jose State University and National Technical Institute for the Deaf. He is frequently invited to present at conferences and has published widely on topics related to Deaf culture, Deaf identity, student development and mainstreaming. The admission is free to the event, and food will be sold. The presentation will be conducted in ASL only. We gratefully acknowledge the following groups who sponsored the program:

Archibald Memorial Home, BehaviorCorp, Deaf Community Service, Greater Indianapolis Deaf Club, Indiana Association of the Deaf, Indiana Chapter of Gallaudet University Alumni Association, Indiana Chapter of RID, Indianapolis Black Deaf Advocates, Indiana School for the Deaf, ISD Alumni Association of the Deaf, Interpreter Network Reaching Indiana, Parent-Teacher-Counselor-Organization, Relay Indiana/Sprint, Silent Senior Hoosiers, Vincennes University ASL Program and Willard ASL Teachers Association.

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Malcom Peters

Jerry Thixton

Rachele Powers

High School

Principal's Office

Outreach

Paula Kay Reum

Diane Hazel Jones (Late)

Cindy Lawrence (Late)

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By Bruce W. Peters only:

Date received: _____ / _____ / _____

Time: _____

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People show their character in nothing more than by what they find laughable. - Anonymous

A Partial List of the Founding of Deaf Schools Around the World

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1817 - The American School for the Deaf (ASD) was founded the first deaf school in the United States on April 15, 1817, in Hartford, Connecticut by Thomas Gallaudet who became the principal and Laurent Clerc, the French pioneer deaf teacher. -- ASD, Conn

1820 - The Pennsylvania School for the Deaf (PSD), the third oldest school of its kind in the United States, was founded by Philadelphia merchant David Seixas, together with other civic-minded community leaders in 1820. -- Eileen Carpenter

1823 - The Kentucky School for the Deaf, formerly Kentucky Asylum for the Tuition of the Deaf and Dumb, was founded on April 10, 1823. -- KYSD

1843 -- The Indiana School for the Deaf was founded by William Willard in Indianapolis, Indiana.

1848 - Institution des Sourds de Montreal was established in 1848, in Montreal, Quebec in Canada.

1864 - U.S. President Abraham Lincoln signed the charter on April 8th, 1864, establishing the Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb (later as Gallaudet College; then Gallaudet University).

1868 - The Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind was founded in Talladega, Alabama in 1868.

1870 - Formerly "The Ontario Institution for the Education of Deaf and Dumb" was established on October 20th, 1870, in Belleville, Ontario, Canada. The name later was changed to Ontario School for the Deaf; again it was changed to Sir James Whitney School.

1880 - van Asch Deaf Education Centre as it is known now was established as the first Government-funded school for the deaf in the world. It is located in Sumner, Christchurch. It, formerly known as "Sumner Institution for the Deaf and Dumb" was opened in March 1880 by Gerrit van Asch. The name of school was later changed to Sumner School for Deaf for many years, it went through a few name changes until the current one which is today's. -- Submitted by Janet & Kevin Stokes. Referred to "They hear with the Eye" published in 1980 by C Allen.

1900 - The 'Osaka City School for the Deaf' in Japan was established on September 13, 1900

1909 - Pyong-Yang School for the Deaf and Blind was founded the first deaf school in Korea Empire (presently, North Korea) by Missionary Rossetta Sherwood Hall from U.S. Methodist mission in 1909. - the Seon-hee book, 1993

1913 - Che-Sun Asylum for the Tuition of the Deaf and Blind (presently, Seoul National School for the Deaf) was established by Japanese Colonial Government in Seoul on April 1st, 1913. -- the Seon-hee book, 1993

1915 - Jericho Hill Provincial School for the Deaf was established in Vancouver, Canada, in 1915, serving deaf students of British Columbia

1931 - R.J.D. Williams Provincial School for the Deaf was established in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, in 1931-32. The school was using a total communication approach to deaf children.

1955 - Alberta School for the Deaf opened on the first day of school on November 1st, 1955. There were 26 students in attendance.

1961 - Newfoundland School for the Deaf was established in St. John's, Canada, in 1961
(Taken from <http://dww.deafworldweb.org/asl/byte/year/>)

FIREBALLS AT WORK

Fireballs to the 8th grade drama students who presented "Eyeth" during the activity period yesterday. Their director, Scotty Zwicker, and sponsor, Beatrice Pfaff are also commended.

Fireballs to Middle School teacher, Carol Keller, who was "hostess with the mostest" in the cafeteria yesterday. Carol matched-up Middle School students with Hamilton Southeastern High School ASL-1 students to ensure an enjoyable and educational experience for all.

Fireballs to Diana Battiste, Preschool's Supervising Teacher, and Beth Slavens, Preschool parent, for organizing the Playground Committee'

Today's Activities

8:30	J. Slavens	Testing
9:00	R. Haney	HE
	Ju. Jeter	ACR
10:00	M. Passon	HE
	H. DeLuna	ACR
10:30	Jo. Jeter	ACR
11:00	Academic Bowl Luncheon for Drew Robarge, Pia Marie Paulone and Anthony Mowl accompanes by Superintendent Stailey, Principal Kovatch and Supervising Teacher Linda Lloyd Returning at 12:45	
1:00	D. Magnbosco	ACR
	J. Keeling	ACR
1:30	R. Donofrio	HE
3:00	A. Hommel	ACR

Today's Menu

Lunch

Roast Pork
Cabbage Roll*
Mashed Potatoes
Pierogies*

Dinner

Baked Chicken
Parsley Potatoes
Peas
Peaches

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Cereal
French Toast
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Drumstick

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Talent Show Finalists & 8th
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Proceedings will go to HANDS ALIVE!
and
Class of 2005 Fund

Playground Committee Update - Last night's meeting saw a large turnout. Approximately twenty-five people attended the meeting. Preschool, Raney Hall, Willard Hall, Outreach, Operations and our parents were represented.

Company reps from Grounds at Play and Service Supply gave explained their equipment' s benefits and discussed their design for the playground. The area will be renovated is between Raney and Willard Halls and east of the Health Center. One of the architects that designed Independence Park, a fully accessible playground in Johnson County, explained the services that his organization could provide on the project. The meeting broke up at 5:00 pm.

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Milestones in Deaf History: 1970 - 1999

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1975 - The America's Public Law 94-142, "The Education of All Handicapped Children Act" (often referred to the 'mainstreaming/least restrictive environment'), was approved by Congress and signed by President Ford in November, 1975.

1977 - Tom Coughlin became the America's first born-deaf priest at age 28.

1977 - Phyllis French was the first person to win a Tony -the Best Actress- award, for playing a "Sarah" role in the play, "Children of a Lesser God".

1983 - "The Smurfs" became the first cartoon to use sign language in America on TV. The "Smurfing in Sign Language" show had the highest ratings that "The Smurfs" had ever had. – [World Around You, April 1984]

1983 - Marlee Matlin became the first deaf person to win an Oscar - Best Actress - award for playing "Sarah" role in the film, "Children of a Lesser God".

1988 - On December 6th, in Winnipeg, Canada, a private member's resolution was passed unanimously which officially recognizes the cultural uniqueness of the deaf community and American Sign Language (ASL) as a distinctive language of deaf people in Manitoba. -- News Release, 1988

1988 - Over 5,000 people assembled at the Deaf Way - a celebration of deaf culture - event at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. on July 10th to 14th. – Gallaudet

1993 - For the first time in its history, the Ethiopian National Association of the Deaf organized a celebration to mark the International Week of the Deaf and the National Day of the Ethiopian Deaf people in October 1993. -- Source & Image: WFD News, April 1994

1993 - The National Association of the Deaf in Zimbabwe celebrated the International Deaf Week of the Deaf for the first time in its history on September 27th to October 3rd. -- WFD News, December 1994

1994 - The Class of '94 at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. broke new records in both men and women in the freshmen's traditional Bald Day on April 6th.

1994 - U.S. President Clinton presented his address at the 125th Commencement of Class of 1994, the largest graduating class in the Gallaudet University's history, in D.C. on May 13, 1994. President Clinton was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. -- DWW Archives

1994 - The Macau government officially recognized the Macau Deaf Association as a legal organization of Deaf people on August 3rd, 1994. -- WFD News, April 1996

1995 - Heather Whitestone of Alabama was the first deaf to be crowned Miss America in the pageant's 75-year history. She was crowned at age 21 on September 17, 1995 in Atlantic City, New Jersey, USA.

1996 - First deaf Member of Parliament in Africa South of the Sahara was elected to the Uganda parliament in 1996. -- UNAD

1996 - Among 10,000 Americans carrying the Olympic flame across the America between April 27th and the opening of the Summer Games on July 19th, four Gallaudet alumni, a student and a member ran with the flame. One of those, Gallaudet president I. King Jordan ran with the flame at the White House on June 20th. Others were Jerald Jordan (former CISS president) in Washington, D.C.; Richard England in Washington, D.C.; Dennis Platt (former president of AAAD) in Ogden, Utah; Bodil Tvede and Wesley Moran both in Montgomery, Alabama. -- Gallaudet, 1996

1998 - "April 17, 1998 marked the unveiling and dedication of the restored headstones of Laurent Clerc and his wife, Eliza in Hartford, Connecticut, USA, to bring these headstones back to their original condition after being ravaged by time and weather...

Laurent Clerc was a French deaf teacher who came to Hartford to co-found the American School for the Deaf in 1817, where he became the first deaf teacher and principal in the United States." – partly excerpted from NAD News Release, May 1998

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Meeting for ISD Spring Basketball Skills Camp Volunteers - There will be an orientation for volunteers on Monday, April 9th at 4:00 p.m. in the Caskey classroom for ISD Spring Basketball Skills Camp. Please don't forget about this exciting meeting after your Spring Break!!

Great Job - Congratulations are in order to eight high school students chosen for full scuba certification training at the University of Indianapolis. The classes will be held after school from 6:00 - 10:00 pm, on April 9th, April 17th, April 23rd, April 30th, and May 7th. Open water certification dives will be on June 2nd and 3rd at Hidden Paradise Park in St. Paul, Indiana. The students, who have been selected for the scuba training, are Pia Marie Paulone, Emily Schultz, Jorjan Jeter, Laura Sutton, Elsie Ritchie, Michael Camacho-Luna, Drew Robarge, and Blaze Pollard.

Your Help Is Needed - We would like to ask your cooperation in taking care of ISD's wildlife habitat areas, Maryann's Prairie and Wehring Wetlands, as well as the Wehring Greenhouse. We are very proud of our ISD wildlife habitats. A lot of work and energy went into creating them. If we all cooperate to help take care these areas, they will provide students with a lot of learning and enjoyment for years to come. We would appreciate everyone's cooperation with these rules:

1. Please do not allow students in these areas unsupervised. Students should always be accompanied by a responsible teacher or residential advisor.
2. Fishing, swimming, or wading is **NOT** allowed in the Wetlands.
2. Dogs are **NOT** allowed in our Prairie or in the Wetlands. Please do not bring your dogs to school on weekends or other times and allow them to run free in our wildlife habitats.
3. Please do not allow students to throw trash on the ground or into the pond. Please do not throw rocks or any other items into the pond. If you see trash on the ground, please help us keep our wildlife habitats beautiful by picking it up and putting in one of the trash containers.
4. Please do not allow students to touch the plastic that covers the outside of our Greenhouse. Students have poked holes in the plastic and now we have to replace the plastic in order to keep heat and humidity at proper levels in the Greenhouse.

2001-02 ISD Calendar Dates - Education staff will receive copies of the 2001-02 calendar dates today in their mailboxes. Other staff will receive their copies through their department heads. Mandates from the Indiana Department of Education and the state have necessitated some alterations in our calendar. Other changes such as the A.M./P.M. schedules on half days ensure a better balance of instructional time. Changes include:

1. Newly-hired staff will report to work on Monday, August 6, 2001 for orientation.
2. Returning staff will report to work for in service days on Wednesday, August 8, 2001. Educational staff will be expected to prepare their rooms, bulletin boards and materials on their own time prior to the reporting date or in the evenings. The in-service days of August 8-10 will be utilized for meetings.
3. Department of Education mandates concerning utilization of instructional time account for the following changes:
 - A. Alternating morning (A.M.) and afternoon (P.M.) schedules on half days will ensure that students receive the same amount of instructional time.
 - B. "Report Card" half days at the end of each quarter have been changed to "Parent/Teacher Conference Days" to increase the opportunities for parents to participate in their child's educational process.
 - C. Seniors (beginning with the Class of 2002) will graduate on the last day of school, May 23, 2002. DOE states that seniors must attend school for the entire school year and will no longer grant waivers for early graduation ceremonies.
 - D. Dismissal on the last day of school, May 23, 2002, will be at 3:00 p.m. There is the possibility that there will be three graduation ceremonies (Elem., MS, and HS) on that day.

Stop Child Abuse! - APRIL is National Prevent Child Abuse Month. During the year 2000 in Indiana, 44 children died of child abuse. There were 72,704 total reports of child abuse and neglect and 24,641 of these reports were "substantiated" by Child Protective Services. Prevent Child Abuse Indiana suggests that to help our children, **"We must change our priorities. Every time we work, learn, play or pray, we need to ask each other, HOW ARE OUR CHILDREN?"** Our theme and our question for the month of April will be, "How are our children?" here at ISD. There will be a table with activities and information regarding Prevention of Child Abuse all day Monday, April 23rd provided by Cathy Pardee and interested members of the Outreach Dept. All staff are welcome to become involved – just call Cathy at 920-6295. The Children's Museum of Indianapolis will be honoring National Prevent Child Abuse Month. A Resource Fair will be available to visitors to the museum for the month of April. On April 5th from 5 to 8 p.m., the museum hosts Family Night when admission is FREE. This is a great opportunity to visit the museum, take advantage of some wonderful resources and support children as well.

RENOVATION - Renovation will begin this Friday, March 30th in the Multi-Purpose Room. New carpet and tile will be installed first. No meetings can be scheduled for this room from Friday at noon until Sunday, April 8.

SRC Duty

HS – Ron Borron

Staff Working Off Campus

Molly Peters and Lori Dille will attend an IFSP meeting in Blackford County.

Staff Absences

Preschool	Kelli Jo Hancock
Elementary	Maureen Osgood (Karen Zawadsky will sub.)
	Mike Jackson (Kim Galagan will sub.)
	Janet Walters (Jill Lestina will sub.)
	Chris Fetzer
Middle School	George Houk (Lane Grover will sub.)
	Linda Jones (John Lestina will sub.)
	Carol Keller (Linda Krieger will sub until 1:30.)
	David Catt
	Pamela Gatto (Leaving at 11:30)
High School	Ron Borron (Ted Myhre will sub.)
	Loretta Hammel (Late)
Principal's Office	
Outreach	